English Language Proficiency

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Alternate Certification & Verification

- Alternate Certification requires a Bachelor’s Degree (4 year undergraduate degree) from a US institution;
- Alternate Verification may be requested if the student has a Master’s Degree (2 year graduate degree) from a US institution.
- The request must be made by the department.
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Requesting a Postponement

• The department may request a postponement of testing or ELI classes for the students first semester only.

• This request comes to and must be approved by OGAPS.

• If students fail to pass the four sections (Composition, Reading, Listening, Oral) of the ELPE, they are required to begin ELI course work no later than the second semester if they are not verified by the TOEFL/TOEFLC, IELTS, GMAT, or GRE verbal.
• Students may not take the ELPE within three months of their most recent attempt without permission from the Office of Graduate Studies.

• This request should be made NO later than SEVEN days prior to the date of the first examination.

• The departmental graduate advisor may request a retest for these students only if:
  • The department needs the student to TA;
  • The student has passed all areas of the ELPE but two; and
  • The two areas lacking must have a minimum score of 75 in each.

• If the student meets the above three criteria, OGAPS will approve the request and notify the department and DARS by e-mail. Departments will be responsible for notifying students of their approval or denial for a retest. The student will receive the testing information by email.