Announcement
Institute of International Education (IIE)

Replacement of TOEFL PBT by TOEFL ITP® Standardized Tests
Score Mapping of TOEFL ITP® on CEFR

The Institute of International Education’s Southeast Asia office (IIE/SEA), on behalf of Educational Testing Service (ETS), the official TOEFL ITP® Assessment Series provider, would like to announce that the TOEFL ITP (Institutional Testing Program) is now replacing the TOEFL PBT (Paper-Based Test) since TOEFL PBT it is no longer administered in Thailand.

The TOEFL ITP assessments share the same rich heritage as the TOEFL test — the world's most widely accepted and respected English-language assessment. This makes the test appropriate for:

1) Admissions to undergraduate and graduate degree programs in non-English speaking countries where English is not the dominant form of instruction.

2) Admissions and placement in collaborative international degree programs where English-language training will be a feature of the program.

3) Admissions to short-term, non-degree programs in English-speaking countries where the sending and receiving institutions agree to use TOEFL ITP scores.

4) Exiting English-language programs by demonstrating proficiency in English listening and reading.

5) Placement in intensive English-language programs requiring academic English proficiency at a college or graduate level.

6) Progress monitoring in English-language programs stressing academic English proficiency.

7) Scholarship programs, as contributing documentation for academic English proficiency.

Decisions made using TOEFL scores have life-impacting consequences for test takers. It is for this reason that ETS places great importance on ensuring its tests are fair, valid and reliable.

Accordingly, the score of TOEFL ITP is valid for two years after the test date issued in accordance with ETS Standards for Quality and Fairness.

A mapping of TOEFL ITP scores on the Common European Framework of Reference has been conducted and published by ETS. The purpose of this mapping study was to identify the minimum TOEFL ITP Level 1 test scores corresponding to four levels of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFRL).

The table below present the scaled cut scores for each section:
The full Research report is available on:

ETS fully appreciate your interest for the TOEFL Family of Assessments and the TOEFL ITP test. Since ETS does not recommend a rigid use of CEFR cut scores, ETS will be available, if needed, to provide guidance on setting up relevant and appropriate cut scores for TOEFL ITP based on intended uses.

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Best Regards,

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