

## Specific Language Requirements 2021-2022

Should be read in combination with **article 10** of the Education and Examination Code (<http://www.ugent.be/oer/>)

(\*) Master's Programmes in grey: these students have been screened through an admission procedure (students always have a letter of admission).

### MASTER'S PROGRAMMES (art. 10 §4)

Faculty	Master's Programme	Level of Proficiency Dutch	Level of Proficiency English
<b>Arts and Philosophy</b>	Master of Arts in Linguistics and Literature, requirements for the following language combinations: English English-German English-Italian English-Spanish English-Scandinavian Studies French-English	0	C1
	Master of Arts in Linguistics and Literature, requirements for the following language combinations: German German-Italian German-Spanish German-Scandinavian Studies French French-German French-Italian French-Spanish French-Scandinavian Studies Scandinavian Studies	0	0
	<i>[Master of Arts in Linguistics and Literature, requirements for all remaining language combinations: <b>the regular language requirements as mentioned in the Education and Examination Code</b></i>	<i>B2</i>	<i>0]</i>
	Master of Arts in Multilingual Communication: a combination of at	C1	0

	least two languages		
	Master of Arts in Interpreting: a combination of at least two languages	C1	0
	Master of Arts in Translation: a combination of at least two languages	C1	0
	Master of Arts in Oriental Languages and Cultures (all main subjects)	0	B2
	Master of Arts in Technology for Translating and Interpreting (*)	0	Minimum C1 level proven by a professional language certificate where relevant (e.g. academic IELTS, IELTS indicator, TOEFL IBT, TOEFL IBT Home Edition, CAE).  Knowledge of at least one additional language taught by the non-British partner universities in their translation and interpreting courses: Spanish, Bulgarian, German, French, Italian, Greek, Russian, Arabic, Dutch and Turkish (minimum B2 level proven by a language certificate where relevant)
<b>Law</b>	Master of Laws in European Union Law	0	C1
	Master of Laws in International Business Law	0	C1
	Master of Laws in International and European Law	0	C1
<b>Sciences</b>	All Dutch Master's Programmes (except for MSc in de geografie en de geomatica: follows the regulations of Ghent University Education and Examination Code): MSc in de fysica en de sterrenkunde, MSc in de geologie, MSc in de informatica, MSc in de wiskunde	0	B2
	International Master of Science in Marine Biological Resources	0	- TOEFL 570 (paper-based) - TOEFL 87 (internet-based)

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- IELTS: 6.5</li> <li>- UCT-attestation (level B2)</li> </ul>
Master of Science in Geology	0		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- TOEFL 90 (internet-based)</li> <li>- IELTS: 7</li> <li>- Certificate awarded by Ghent University Language Centre confirming proficiency in English, CEF-level B2</li> <li>- Certificate Practical English 5, Upper-Intermediate Academic English or Preparing for an English test, issued by Ghent University Language Centre</li> <li>- Cambridge-ESOL: first certificate in English (FCE)</li> </ul> <p>Prospective students are exempted from the applicable language requirements, if they have already passed an English-language study programme, either in secondary education or at another institution for higher education (i.e. the student needs to have obtained 60 credits).</p>
Master of Science in Sustainable Land Management	0		<p>B2</p> <p>Are exempt from submitting a certificate B2 English: students</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- having successfully completed at least one year of secondary education with English as language of instruction, or having successfully completed secondary school in a Belgian institution;</li> <li>- having successfully completed programme units in higher education with a minimum of 54 ECTS-credits where English was the language of instruction. A certificate that the language of instruction was English has to be submitted for institutions in countries where English is not the national</li> </ul>

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<b>Medicine and Health Sciences</b>	Master of Medicine in de huisartsgeneeskunde	C1	0
	Master of Medicine in de arbeidsgeneeskunde	C1	0
	Master of Medicine in de jeugdgezondheidszorg	C1	0
	Master of Medicine in de verzekeringsgeneeskunde en de medische expertise	C1	0
	Master of Science in de ziekenhuishygiëne	C1	0
<b>Engineering and Architecture</b>	All Dutch Master's Programmes (except for Master of Science in de ingenieurswetenschappen: fotonica)	B2	B2
	Master of Science in de ingenieurswetenschappen: fotonica	B2	B2
		<p>Prospective students are exempted from the applicable language requirements if they have obtained one of the following diplomas or certificates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- a secondary education diploma awarded by (an educational institution that is recognized by) the Flemish Community;</li> <li>- a higher education diploma awarded by an institute of higher education that is recognized by the Flemish Community;</li> <li>- a certificate confirming that the student passed one year of study in a Dutch-language secondary education;</li> <li>- a certificate confirming that the student has already obtained 54</li> </ul>	

		<p>credits for Dutch-language course units at another institute of higher education;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- passing the entrance exam for the Dentistry/Medicine study programmes;</li> <li>- passing the interuniversity exam for the equivalence of a foreign diploma in medicine organized by the VLIR;</li> <li>- passing the NT2 State exam Programme II</li> </ul>	
European Master of Science in Photonics	0		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- TOEFL 570 (paper-based)</li> <li>- TOEFL 87 (internet-based)</li> <li>- TOEFL 213 (computer-based)</li> <li>- IELTS: 6.5 (with a minimum of 6.0 for each part)</li> <li>- Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English (CAE): grade B</li> <li>- Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE): grade C</li> <li>- Certificate B2 from a university language centre</li> </ul> <p>Prospective students are exempted from the applicable language requirements if they have obtained one of the following diplomas or certificates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- a secondary education diploma awarded by (an educational institution that is recognized by) the Flemish Community;</li> <li>- a higher education diploma awarded by an institute of higher education that is recognized by the Flemish Community;</li> <li>- a certificate confirming that the student passed one year or at least 60 credits of study in a English-language secondary or higher education</li> </ul>
Master of Science in Nuclear Engineering	0		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- TOEFL 550 (paper-based)</li> <li>- TOEFL 79 (internet-based)</li> </ul>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- TOEFL 213 (computer-based)</li> <li>- IELTS: 5.5</li> <li>- UCT-attest: level B2</li> <li>- a certificate confirming that the prospective student passed one year or at least 60 credits of study in an English-language study programme in either secondary or higher education</li> </ul>
	Master of Science in Biomedical Engineering	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- TOEFL 580 (paper-based)</li> <li>- TOEFL 92 (internet-based)</li> <li>- TOEFL 237 (computer-based)</li> <li>- IELTS: 6.5</li> </ul>
	Master of Science in Photonics Engineering	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-TOEFL 570 (paper-based)</li> <li>-TOEFL 87 (internet-based)</li> <li>-TOEFL 213 (computer-based)</li> <li>- IELTS: 6.5 (minimum 6.0 for each part)</li> <li>-Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English (CAE): grade B</li> <li>-Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE): grade C</li> <li>- B2 certificate from a university language centre</li> </ul>
	International Master of Science in Fire Safety Engineering (*)	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- IELTS Academic module 6.5 (with 6.0 in each section)</li> <li>- TOEFL (internet-based): 92 (with at least 20 in each section)</li> <li>- Cambridge-ESOL: Certificate in Advanced English (CAE) Grade B</li> <li>- Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE), grade C (CAE)</li> <li>- Trinity ISE II Certificate with 'distinctions' in each of four parts</li> </ul>
	European Master of Science in Nuclear Fusion and Engineering Physics (*)	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- TOEFL 580 (paper-based)</li> <li>- TOEFL 90 (internet-based)</li> <li>- TOEFL 230 (computer-based)</li> <li>- IELTS: 6.5 (with a minimum of 6.1 for each part)</li> <li>(GRE test score is optional, but highly recommended)</li> <li>- Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in</li> </ul>

			English (CPE), grade C1 (CAE) <b>Exemptions:</b> - prospective students who can prove that they have followed a comprehensive English-based instruction at an institute for higher education during at least two years (students may be recognized as having completed 120 ECTS)
	International Master of Science in Textile Engineering (*)	0	* B2 Cambridge Certificate or an equivalent level * IELTS Certificate with a minimum overall score of 6.5 with at least 6 for writing or an equivalent level * TOEFL Certificate with a minimum score of 570 (paper) or 86 (internet) or an equivalent level * TOEIC Certificate with a minimum score of 1560 calculated as (Listening & Reading score + Writing & Speaking score multiplied by 2.5) or an equivalent level
<b>Economics and Business Administration</b>	Master of Science in Data Science for Business	0	<b>C1</b>
	Master of Science in Banking and Finance	0	<b>C1</b>
	Master of Science in Economics of Globalisation and European Integration (*)	0	B2 ( <i>Common European Framework of Reference for Languages in English</i> ) issued by a university language centre. <i>The proficiency in English of the students is checked by submitting proof of a computer-based TOEFL level of minimum 90, or an IELTS grade of at least 6.5, or should submit proof of having studied at least a sufficient number of credits in an English-language programme. The proficiency in English of applicants can be checked also during the selection process by the JBS using direct interviews or through the administration of tests.</i>

<b>Bioscience Engineering</b>	All English Master's Programmes (except <i>MSc in Bioscience Engineering: Cell and Gene Biotechnology</i> and <i>International Master of Science in Soils and Global Change</i> : follow the regulations of Ghent University Education and Examination Code):	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- TOEFL 550 (paper-based)</li> <li>- TOEFL 80 (internet-based)</li> <li>- IELTS: 6.5 (with a minimum of 6.0 for writing)</li> <li>- Certificate CEF-B2 (awarded by a European university language centre)</li> <li>- Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English (CAE)</li> </ul>
	MSc in Aquaculture		<p>Exemptions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Prospective students holding a diploma (Secondary Education, Academic Bachelor's Degree, Master's Degree) issued by an institution officially recognized by the Flemish Government. Remark: this exemption does not count for application to Erasmus Mundus Programmes.</li> </ul>
	MSc in Food Technology		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Prospective students who are nationals from or have obtained a bachelor and/or master degree in a higher education institute with English as mode of instruction in USA, Australia, New Zealand, United Kingdom, Republic of Ireland or Canada. In the latter case a certificate has to be submitted that states that English was the language of instruction.</li> </ul>
	International MSc in Environmental Technology and Engineering (Erasmus Mundus) (*)		
	International MSc in Rural Development (Erasmus Mundus) (*)		
	MSc in Environmental Science and Technology	0	<p>Nationals of Australia, Botswana, Canada, Eritrea, Gambia, Ghana, Guyana, India, Ireland, Kenya, Liberia, Malawi, Namibia, New Zealand, Nigeria, Philippines, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda, UK, USA, Zambia, and Zimbabwe, need to send proof of at least one year - 60 ECTS (finished successfully) - of comprehensive English-based instruction at a Higher Education Institution (mode of instruction).</p>



		<p>Candidates from any other nationality need to present test results of one of the following tests (validity of 5 years; TOEFL/IELTS predictive tests and TOEIC will not be accepted):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- TOEFL IBT 86</li> <li>- TOEFL PBT 570</li> <li>- ACADEMIC IELTS 6,5 overall score with a min. of 6 for writing</li> <li>- CEFR B2</li> </ul>
<p>International Master of Science in Health Management in Aquaculture (*)</p>	<p>0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- TOEFL IBT 92, with sub speaking 23</li> <li>- ACADEMIC IELTS: 6.5 overall score (with minimum 6 for writing of 6 for speaking)</li> <li>- CEF-B2 certificate (awarded by a European language centre).</li> <li>- ESOL Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English (CAE): score between 176-210 or Grade C</li> </ul> <p><b>Exemptions:</b>  Prospective students who are nationals from or have obtained a bachelor and/or master degree (excluding double degrees or online degree programmes) in a higher education institute with English as mode of instruction in USA, Australia, New Zealand, United Kingdom, Republic of Ireland or Canada (except universities in Quebec Province, apart from applicants that have completed a 4 year bachelor degree at McGill University with English as the language of instruction). A certificate confirming that the mode of instruction was English needs to be submitted)..</p>

	International Master of Science in Sustainable and Innovative Natural Resource Management (*)	0	<p>- Nationals of Australia, Botswana, Canada, Eritrea, Gambia, Ghana, Guyana, India, Ireland, Kenya, Liberia, Malawi, Namibia, New Zealand, Nigeria, Philippines, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda, UK, USA, Zambia and Zimbabwe need to send proof of at least one year - 60 ECTS (finished successfully) - of comprehensive English-based instruction at a HEI.</p> <p>- Candidates from any other nationality need to present test results of one of the following tests (test results not older than 5 years):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TOEFL 570 (paper based)</li> <li>• TOEFL 86 (internet based)</li> <li>• IELTS 6,5 (a minimum of 6 for writing)</li> </ul> <p><b>Attention: for this study programme organised by an international consortium exemptions of language requirements do not apply</b> for prospective students holding a diploma (Secondary Education, Academic Bachelor's Degree, Master's Degree) issued by an institution officially recognized by the Flemish Government</p>
<b>Sciences, Engineering and Architecture, Bioscience Engineering</b>	MSc in Bioinformatics, Main Subject: Bioscience Engineering	B2	B2
<b>Political and Social Sciences, Arts and Philosophy</b>	MA in Global Studies (*)	0	<p>- Excellent English skills (minimum B2-level according to Common European Framework of Reference for Languages or UNICert level II according to the German Association of Language Centres, Language Teaching Institutes and Institutes of Foreign Languages). The proficiency in English needs to be proven by an official English</p>

certificate. English native speakers need to provide a proof of knowledge of a language different to their mother tongue on A2 level according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages - Knowledge of a further foreign language on A2 level according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (to be proven by the High School certificate and/or international recognized test score certificates or equivalent proof of participation in language courses).

**POSTGRADUATE STUDIES (art. 10 §5)**

Faculty	Postgraduate Programme	Level of Proficiency Dutch	Level of Proficiency English
<b>Arts and Philosophy</b>	Postgraduaatsopleiding Conferentietolken	0	0

**DOCTORAL TRAINING PROGRAMMES** ([OER doctoreren art. 2 § 3](#))

Faculty	Doctoral Training Programme	Level of Proficiency Dutch	Level of Proficiency English
<b>Engineering and Architecture</b>	European Joint Doctoral Training Programme in High-Temperature Plasma Physics and Thermonuclear Fusion (FUSION E-DC)	0	B2 (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- TOEFL 4.5 (paper-based)</li><li>- TOEFL: 72 (internet-based)</li><li>- Cambridge Certificate grade B2 or similar),</li></ul> or equivalently the proof of sufficient English knowledge, through an interview (and decided upon by the supervisor) or based on the previous curriculum