TOEFL WAIVER PROGRAM

Purpose of the Program

This program is designed to admit, without a TOEFL score, an international student who has shown a sufficient understanding of the English language through coursework in the English language at an accredited college or university, or through successful completion of an intensive English program accredited by CEA or ACCET. This TOEFL Waiver Program also applies to Sam Houston State University’s English Language Institute (ELI).

Criteria for Transfer and Exchange Students

- Transcripts from an accredited institution of higher education with at least 30 credit hours of instruction, 24 of which are academic, in the medium of English with 2.5 GPA or better. In addition, 6 of these 24 hours must be in reading intensive courses.

Criteria for Successful Completion of an Intensive English Program

An international student must provide the following:
- English language transcript with score of B (80%) or better of the highest level of intensive English course and elective courses
- Certificate of Completion of the program
- Cumulative grade point average to meet the freshman or undergraduate transfer admission requirements

Requirements Upon Admission to Sam Houston State University for IEP Students

Academically admitted student responsibilities:
- Take any required assessment exams through Testing Center.
- Enroll in First Year Experience SAM 136.
- Meet monthly with International Student Advisor to discuss maintaining a 2.5 GPA or higher.
- Use the Reading, Writing and SAM Centers to achieve academic success on a weekly basis.
- Download Progress Report Form from OIP website for completion by each professor after the 6th week of class. The completed form will be submitted to the International Student Advisor. Depending upon progress, student may be required to submit a second progress report.

Students admitted on the TOEFL Waiver Program will be evaluated annually to assess their academic achievement and the effectiveness of the program.