

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

LIST OF RECOGNIZED INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATES / TESTS

1. MINIMUM REQUIREMENT FOR ALL BOCCONI PhD PROGRAMS

The minimum level of competence in English required to be admitted to a Bocconi PhD program is "B2 plus" (B2 = upper intermediate, according to CEFR). Higher levels (C1-advanced and C2-mastery) are recognized by-default.

Date of the exam (for IELTS Academic only): not before 3rd October 2023

International Certificate / Test		Examination Board	level	minimum score corresponding to the level
IELTS Academic		British Council, IDP IELTS Australia, Cambridge English Language Assessment	B2 plus	average 7.0; no part lower than 5.5
			C1	average 7.0; no part lower than 6.0
			C2	average 8.0; no part lower than 8.0
TOEFL iBT		ETS Educational Testing Service	B2 plus	96
			C1	100
			C2	118
FCE	First Certificate in English	Cambridge English Language Assessment	B2 plus	173
	First Certificate in English		C1	180
CAE	Cambridge English level 1 certificate in ESOL international	Cambridge English Language Assessment	B2 plus	173
	Certificate of Advanced English		C1	180
	Certificate of Advanced English		C2	200
CPE	Cambridge English level 2 certificate in ESOL international	Cambridge English Language Assessment	C1	180
	Certificate of Proficiency in English		C2	200
BEC Vantage	Business English Certificate Vantage	Cambridge English Language Assessment	B2 plus	173
	Business English Certificate Vantage		C1	180
BEC Higher	Cambridge English level 1 certificate in ESOL international (business)	Cambridge English Language Assessment	B2 plus	173
	Business English Certificate Higher		C1	180
	Business English Certificate Higher		C2	200