Regarding the Certificates of English Language Ability
for Graduate School Entrance Examinations in August 2020

Graduate School of Information Sciences, Tohoku University

Recognizing that many English testing agencies have suspended their test schedule due to the spread of COVID-19 infection, we have decided to temporarily change the terms of our admission policy regarding how to accept the certificates of English language ability. Please check the following instructions of each Group and complete the application procedure.

* Normally, EXCEPT this time, applicants are required to submit TOEFL® Test (PBT, iBT) or TOEIC® Listening & Reading Test score certificate as a part of the admission documents (selection process depends on each Group).

Mathematics (Group 1)
Applicable programs:
・ Master’s Program (Selection for Overseas Students, etc.)
・ Doctoral Program (Transfer-Admission Selection for Overseas Students, etc.)

TOEFL® Test (PBT, iBT) or TOEIC® Listening & Reading Test score certificate is NOT required. English achievements in your university report are used for evaluation.

Information and Biosystems (Group 2)
Applicable programs:
・ Master's Program (General Selection, Selection for Overseas Students, etc. and Early Graduate Student Selection)
・ Doctoral Program (General Transfer-Admission Selection, Examinations for Advancing Students from other Graduate Schools of Tohoku University and Transfer-Admission Selection for Overseas Students, etc.)

TOEFL® Test (PBT, iBT) or TOEIC® Listening & Reading Test score certificate is NOT required. English achievements in your university report are used for evaluation.

Machine and Intelligence (Group 3)
Applicable programs:
・ Master's Program (General Selection, Selection for Overseas Students, etc. and Early Graduate Student Selection)
・ Doctoral Program (General Transfer-Admission Selection, Examinations for Advancing Students from other Graduate Schools of Tohoku University and Transfer-Admission Selection for Overseas Students, etc.)

TOEFL® Test (PBT, iBT) or TOEIC® Listening & Reading Test score certificate is NOT required. Evaluate according to the contents of the transcript.
Civil Engineering (Group 4)

Applicable programs:
- Master's Program (General Selection, Selection for Overseas Students, etc. and Early Graduate Student Selection)
- Doctoral Program (General Transfer-Admission Selection, Examinations for Advancing Students from other Graduate Schools of Tohoku University and Transfer-Admission Selection for Overseas Students, etc.)

TOEFL® Test (PBT, iBT) or TOEIC® Listening & Reading Test Score Certificate is REQUIRED as described in the application guideline in principle.

If you couldn’t take the tests within 2 years, you can submit the certificate taken before that. In addition to the tests described in the application guideline, TOEFL iBT® Special Home Edition is also valid for this time as exceptional.

Applicants need to submit the certificate before the entrance examination begins. If you are unable to submit any of the certificates, please submit a statement of reasons before the entrance examination begins. When justifiable reasons are provided, your grade in English in your university report is used for evaluation.

※ To submit the TOEFL iBT® Special Home Edition score, follow the procedure below.
(1) BE SURE to complete the procedure for sending your Official Score Reports to the Graduate School of Information Sciences, Tohoku University (code: 2149), when you apply for taking the test.
(2) Print out your score that can be confirmed through your ETS account, and submit the sheet before the entrance examination begins.

Languages and Media (Group 5)

Applicable programs:
- Master's Program (General Selection, Selection for Overseas Students, etc. and Early Graduate Student Selection)
- Doctoral Program (General Transfer-Admission Selection, Examinations for Advancing Students from other Graduate Schools of Tohoku University and Transfer-Admission Selection for Overseas Students, etc.)

TOEFL® Test (PBT, iBT) or TOEIC® Listening & Reading Test Score Certificate is REQUIRED as described in the application guideline.

In addition, TOEFL ITP® Test (taken within 2 years prior to examination date) and TOEFL iBT® Special Home Edition are also valid only this time.

Psychology and Philosophy (Group 6)

Applicable programs:
- Master's Program (General Selection, Selection for Overseas Students, etc. and Early Graduate Student Selection)
- Doctoral Program (General Transfer-Admission Selection, Examinations for Advancing Students from other Graduate Schools of Tohoku University and Transfer-Admission Selection for Overseas Students, etc.)

TOEFL® Test (PBT, iBT) or TOEIC® Listening & Reading Test Score Certificate is REQUIRED as described in the application guideline in principle. However, even if you are unable to submit the certificates requested in the application guideline, we will accept your application documents this time as exceptional. In this case, please attach the document that shows your English level (for instance, score sheet of English Proficiency Test (Eiken), TOEFL ITP, TOEFL iBT Special Home Edition Test, etc.) if possible. Applicants need to submit the certificate before the entrance examination begins. If you are unable to submit any of the certificates, please submit a statement of reasons before the entrance examination begins. When justifiable reasons are provided, your grade in English in your university report is used for evaluation.
Social Sciences (Group 7)

Applicable programs:
- Master's Program (General Selection, Selection for Overseas Students, etc. and Early Graduate Student Selection)
- Doctoral Program (General Transfer-Admission Selection, Examinations for Advancing Students from other Graduate Schools of Tohoku University and Transfer-Admission Selection for Overseas Students, etc.)

TOEFL® Test (PBT, iBT) or TOEIC® Listening & Reading Test Score Certificate is REQUIRED as described in the application guideline in principle. In addition to the tests described in the application guideline, TOEFL ITP® Test and TOEFL iBT® Special Home Edition are also valid for this time as exceptional. If you are unable to submit any of the certificates by the application deadline, please submit a statement of reasons, and submit the certificate before the entrance examination begins.

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