★ ENGLISH ASSESSMENT & PLACEMENT CHART ★

THE EQUIVALENCY TABLE

iBT	IELTS	SLEP	CIC English Program Placement
79 and over	6.0-9.0	58 and over	ENG4U
69-78	5.5	55-57	ENG3U
59-68	5.0	52-54	ENG2D or ESLEO
49-58	4.5	48-51	ENG1D or ESLDO
45-48	4.0	44-47	ESLCO
39-44	3.5	40-43	ESLBO
33-38	3.0	36-39	ESLAO
Under 33	Under 3.0	Under 36	Orientation English (8 weeks)

Test Results

- Original iBT/IELTS test results must be provided at the time of registration.
- Only official results are accepted. Projected results are not recognized.
- Students with test results older than 4 months may request to write the SLEP test on arrival at CIC for an update on their English proficiency.
- The equivalency table is based on the best practices in North America as well research done by both the ESL and Academic English departments at CIC.
- Students arriving at CIC with an IELTS / iBT English Proficiency score will be exempt from writing the placement test.
- Placement is also determined by the original transcripts provided at the time of registration.

PLACEMENT & PROGRESSION TABLE - ESL VS ENG

Considerations	ESLDO	ENG1D	ESLEO	ENG2D
Age	17(+)	16(-)	17(+)	16(-)
Grade	Gr. 11/12	Gr. 9/10	Gr. 11/12	Gr. 9/10

Placement

- All new arrivals to Columbia International college will be placed in an English/ESL course according to English Placement Policy.
- Student with test results(SLEP, IELTS, iBT) corresponding to ENG1D or ESLDO will be registered in the course which is best suited to their specific needs, as determined by the chart.
- Likewise, students with test results(SLEP, IELTS, iBT) which correspond to ESLEO or ENG2D, will be enrolled in the course which will benefit them most, as determined by the chart.
- This same chart will be used to determine the progressions of students(new and returning) who are moving on from ESLCO.
- ESLEO is generally not an appropriate course for grade 9 or 10 ESL students since the curriculum for this course is intended as a bridge to college and university preparatory English curriculum courses (ENG3U-ENG4U)