ENGLISH LANGUAGE ASSESSMENT

All students are required to submit evidence of English proficiency as outlined below, unless you are a native English speaker or have studied for the last 3 years in a full-time English speaking school. Please send us proof with one of the following documents using the enclosed envelope (addressed to the GIHE Admissions Department). Caution: the certificate must have been delivered at the maximum one year before the first day of the program the student applies to.

Undergraduate - New (Semester 1) Students

- + TOEFL: minimum score of 543 points for the paper based test or 72 points for the internet based test. The TOEFL testing code number for GIHE is 7337.
- + Cambridge First Certificate Exam (FCE): grade C Please also send the Statement of Results with your detailed profile.
- + IELTS Academic Module: minimum overall band score of 5.5 and min. 5.0 in every sub-component (listening, reading, writing, speaking).

Undergraduate - Transfer / Direct Entry (Semesters 2, 4 & 6)

- + TOEFL: minimum score of 543 points for the paper based test or 72 points for the internet based test. The TOEFL testing code number for GIHE is 7337.
- + Cambridge First Certificate Exam (FCE): grade C. Please also send the Statement of Results with your detailed profile.
- + IELTS Academic Module: minimum overall band score of 5.5 and min. 5.0 in every sub-component (listening, reading, writing, speaking).

MBA / MSc / Postgraduate Students

- + TOEFL: minimum score of 585 points for the paper based test or 83 points for the internet based test. The TOEFL testing code number for GIHE is 7337.
- + Cambridge First Certificate Exam (FCE): grade B Please also send the Statement of Results with your detailed profile.
- + IELTS Academic Module: minimum overall band score of 6.0 and min. 5.5 in every sub-component (listening, reading, writing, speaking).

Please note: all English certificates must have been issued in the last 12 months. Only IELTS Certificates issued by approved IELTS Testing Centers will be accepted. Link to approved IELTS Testing Centers: http://bit.ly/1T1Jad4

English Language Programme (ELP)

- + TOEFL: minimum score of 460 points for the paper based test or 42 points for the internet based test. The TOEFL testing code number for GIHE is 7337.
- + Cambridge First Certificate Exam (FCE): PET Please also send the Statement of Results with your detailed profile.
- + IELTS Academic Module: minimum overall band score of 4.5 and min. 4.5 in every sub-component (listening, reading, writing, speaking).

English Exam

All candidates who cannot provide an officially recognized English Language Certificate must sit an English exam in reading, listening and writing (BULATS) which will be marked externally to enable us to have an official record of your English ability noted in your file. This exam will takeplace during the first week. You will be charged the amount of CHF 300.- for this service (payable onsite at the campus reception).

Please note: You will not be officially registered as a student of GIHE until you have successfully fulfilled the admissions criteria.

In case you do not pass the BULATS exam, you will be advised to follow our English Language Programme for a duration of 6 months before being able to join any of the GIHE Hospitality / Event, Sports and Entertainment management programs. You will be allowed to join the programs on the condition that you obtain the minimum required passing score at the end of the 6 months.

Please note: We reiterate the importance of providing proof of your English Language skills before arrival. Please be sure to send this documentation as soon as possible in order for us to update your application.

Students with an English Speaking Education

If you have an English speaking education, you will be tested on entry. If this diagnostic test reveals a very poor level of English, you will be required to take the BULATS exam, and may be asked to improve your English before commencing the program or join the ELP Programme first for at least 10 weeks.