

TUM SOMex language requirements

as of June 2024

for internal TUM SOMex application only. For external language requirements see regulations of your host university

**Proof of language proficiency (1st language requirement)**

|  |   | Up to 18 Months  | Between 18 Months and 24 Months  | Older than 24 Months |  |
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| <b>Proof of language proficiency (1st language requirement)</b>              | <b>English B2</b>   | Higher education entry diploma with proof of English B2 and a “satisfactory” grade (e.g. German Abitur: score of at least 7 points), is sufficient for this application, but students have to make sure themselves to meet the host university's application requirements.<br>Other official certificates using the CEFR certifying at least B2 English can be used for the internal application no matter how old they are. |  |                      |  |
|  | <b>English C1 or higher and all other languages:</b>  |  |  |                      |  |
|  | TOEFL   | Valid  | Valid for TUM SOMex application, but you have to make sure yourself to have a valid certificate for the application at the host university!  | Not valid            |  |
|  | IELTS   | Valid  | Valid for TUM SOMex application, but you have to make sure yourself to have a valid certificate for the application at the host university!  | Not valid            |  |
|  | DAAD/<br>other official certificates using CEFR   | Valid  | Valid for TUM SOMex application, but you have to make sure yourself to have a valid certificate for the application at the host university!  | Not valid            |  |
|  | Passed language course at the TUM language center   | Valid  | Valid for TUM SOMex application, but you have to make sure yourself to have a valid certificate for the application at the host university!  | Not valid            |  |
|  | Passed language course of a renowned institution (i.e. Virtuelle Hochschule Bayern (vhb), Goethe Institut, Volkshochschule (VHS) etc.)  | Valid  | Valid for TUM SOMex application, but you have to make sure yourself to have a valid certificate for the application at the host university!  | Not valid            |  |
|  | German Abitur:<br>- as proof of language <b>proficiency in languages other than English</b>   | Valid (18 months after language class has last been taken)   | Valid for TUM SOMex application, but you have to make sure yourself to have a valid certificate for the application at the host university!  | Not valid            |  |
|  | IB Diploma (only valid if the level of proficiency is indicated on the transcript or you can provide a separate confirmation of your school. Otherwise, please contact the TUM Language Center. *If you have completed at least 5 school years in the required language, your proof is valid for longer than 2 years. | Valid as C1  | Valid for TUM SOMex application, but you have to make sure yourself to have a valid certificate for the application at the host university!* | Not valid*           |  |
|  | Higher education entrance diploma conducted entirely in the required language in a country where the required language is the majority language (e.g. German Abitur completed in Germany is valid as proof of C1 in German OR Baccalauréat in France counts as proof of French etc).                                  | Valid as C1  |  |                      |  |
| <b>completed Bachelor degree</b> conducted entirely in the required language | Valid as C1   |  |  |                      |  |

| <b>Basic knowledge (2nd language requirement)</b><br>(Even in cases where there is no mandatory second language requirement, students can improve their language score by demonstrating at least a basic knowledge of the language of the host country.) |  |   |                               |                     |
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|  |  | Up to 18 Month  | Between 18 Month and 24 Month | Older than 24 Month |
| <b>Basic knowledge (2nd language requirement)</b>  | all the documents listed for the 1st language requirement, can also be used as a proof for basic knowledge without expiration date | Valid as basic knowledge  |                               |                     |
|  | Language classes during Secondary School   | Valid as basic knowledge  |                               |                     |
|  | Grade Report of a completed language course at the TUM language center   | Valid as basic knowledge  |                               |                     |
|  | Participation in <b>current language course at the TUM language center</b> (not completed yet)                                     | Valid, regular participation has to be confirmed by language teacher. Please use the form "Proof of basic knowledge: Confirmation Language Course Attendance". You can find it in the download Center: <a href="http://www.mgt.tum.de/download-center">www.mgt.tum.de/download-center</a> -> International Exchange Programs -> International. The certificate of achievement has to be submitted after completion. |                               |                     |
|  | <b>Synchronous online language course</b> offered by a university that has a H+ Status in <a href="http://anabin">anabin</a>       | Valid as basic knowledge  |                               |                     |
|  | OLS language test <u>AFTER</u> a <u>previous</u> ERASMUS+ stay abroad  | Valid as basic knowledge  |                               |                     |
|  | Language course <b>via app</b> (e.g. Duolingo, Babble etc.)  | Not valid   |                               |                     |