

PROGRAMME REGULATIONS

Programme Schedule

New Zealand Certificate in English Language (Level 5)

To be read in conjunction with Unitec [Generic Certificate Regulations](#).

1. Programme Schedule

This schedule applies to the New Zealand Certificate in English Language (Academic) (NZCEL) (Level 5, 60 credits).

2. Programme Specific Admission

2.1 Specific Admission

2.1.1 To be admitted to this programme, all applicants must meet the following requirements in addition to the requirements set out in the Certificate Generic Regulations:

- a. have English as an additional language; and
- b. be a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident; or
- c. hold a Certificate of Refugee Status and provide evidence of eligibility to study for the duration of enrolment; or
- d. have a student visa.

2.1.2 To be admitted to this programme, all applicants must meet the following English Language requirements:

- a. hold a NZCEL (Level 4) (Academic) or equivalent; or
- b. achieve an appropriate score on the Department of Language Studies English Language test.

3. Selection Criteria

When the number of eligible applicants for admission exceeds the number of places available, then applicants are waitlisted and invited to enrol as places become available in the appropriate endorsement.

4. Selection Process

- a. Selection will be made by a subcommittee of the English Language Discipline Committee, normally Programme Leader and/or Curriculum Leader, with the delegated authority of that committee to offer places to applicants.
- b. Applicants will be required to demonstrate their ability in written English through a written language placement assessment.

5. Requirements for the Award of the Qualification

5.1 New Zealand Certificate in English Language (Academic) (Level 5)

To be awarded the New Zealand Certificate in English Language (Academic) (Level 5), a student must have successfully completed 60 credits, from the courses set out in Table 1.

Table 1: Courses details – All courses are compulsory

Course No.	Course Name	Credits
Level 5		
EAPL5151	Academic Listening and Reading	15
EAPL5152	Speaking in Academic Contexts	15
EAPL5153	Reading in Academic Contexts	15
EAPL5154	Writing in Academic Contexts	15

6. Credit Recognition and Exemptions

6.1 Credit Recognition

Specified and unspecified credit recognition will be determined on a case-by-case basis in accordance with the generic Certificate Regulations.

7. Assessment of Prior Learning

There is no provision for Assessment of Prior Learning in this programme.

8. Assessment

8.1 Assessment basis

All written assessment is achievement based using an 11 point grading scale.

8.2 Calculation of course grades

- a. All student work will be graded using grade-related criteria.
- b. The final course grade will be determined by the mathematical aggregation of weighted grades achieved in summative assessments and reported according to the following scale:

Table 2: Course Grades

Grade	Percentage	Result
A+	90 – 100	Pass
A	85 – 89	Pass
A-	80 – 84	Pass
B+	75 – 79	Pass
B	70 – 74	Pass
B-	65 – 69	Pass
C+	60 – 64	Pass
C	55 – 59	Pass
C-	50 – 54	Pass
D	40 – 49	Fail
E	0 – 39	Fail

- c. Students may be awarded one of the following grades for a course if they meet the criteria described:

Table 3: Grade Criteria

Grade	Meaning	Criteria
CR	Credit Recognition	Credit earned through Cross Credit from another qualification.
DEF	Deferred	The course result has been deferred. No credits earned.
R	Restricted Pass	The student has been awarded a restricted pass subject to clause 8.3 of this schedule. Credits earned.
W	Withdrawn	The student has formally applied to withdraw from a course after 10% of the scheduled course duration and up to, or at, the date at which 75% of the scheduled course has passed. No Credits earned.
DNC	Did not complete	The student has either withdrawn after 75% of the scheduled course duration or not attempted a compulsory item of assessment within a course. No Credits earned.

- d. The final grade for a course shall be calculated from the aggregation of all summative assessment activities.

8.3 Conditions applying to restricted passes

Restricted passes may be awarded by the English Language Programme Management Committee to a student who has narrowly failed a course (47%+) and who has achieved a C+ average in the remaining enrolment for that semester.

8.4 Resits and resubmissions

- a. Given the NZCEL programme's extensive use of formative and portfolio assessment, resits and resubmissions of failed summative assessment items are not normally allowed.
- b. Unitec's Special Assessment Circumstances policy will be used to determine or estimate grades where assessment events have been missed or where performance has been affected as a result of unforeseen circumstances.
- c. Where assignments have a submission date and time, extensions may be negotiated with the lecturer responsible for the assignment in special circumstances, according to guidelines published in Course information booklets.
- d. Opportunities to sit missed mid-semester summative assessment tasks may be organized where practicable.

9. Attendance

It is a condition of Student Visas that International students attend 100% of course sessions. Attendance is monitored by e-registers and unauthorised absence communicated to Unitec International.

10. Transitional Arrangements / Modified Programmes of Study

Students completing the DENGA or CIENG courses indicated in the left hand column of the table below will be awarded the relevant DENGA or CIENG certificate endorsement if they leave the programme at the end of Semester 2 (DENGA) or Term 4 (CIENG). Students who wish to continue will enrol in the NZCEL programme as indicated in the right hand column.

Completed prior to Semester 1, 2014	Enrolment from Semester 1, 2014
EAPL 5221/5222/5234 DENGA L2	NZCEL (Level 5)
LANG 5301 CIENG Advanced English	NZCEL (Level 5)

11. Commencement

These regulations came into force in Semester 1, 2015.