

English Language Course Exemption Policy for the Health Track

at Princess Nourah bint Abdulrahman University

Health Track

- ❖ Foundation Year Program for Health Colleges.
- ❖ College of Nursing.
- ❖ Medical Physics Program at the College of Science.
- ❖ Infection Control Diploma at the Applied College.

ENG 131	Level 1 Courses
ENG 132	Level 2 Courses

First: The exemption policy from English language courses (a compulsory university requirement) is as follows:

- Exemption from the English Language Course for Level One (ENG 131) through one of the following options:
 1. Taking a placement test designed according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) and achieving a score equivalent to the required CEFR level for the course, as shown in the table below.
 2. Submitting one of the approved certificates for English language proficiency tests: (IELTS Academic) or (TOEFL iBT), or their equivalents, according to the table below.

Test	Required Scores				
	Health Track				
	ENG 131				
	Overall	Listening	Speaking	Reading	Writing
IELTS Academic	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
TOEFL iBT	4	4	4	4	4
Placement Test	B2.1				
Recorded Grade	A +				

- Exemption from the English Language Course for Level Two (ENG 132) through one of the following options:
 1. Submitting one of the approved certificates in English language proficiency tests (IELTS Academic) or (TOEFL iBT), or their equivalents, according to the table below.

Test	Required Scores				
	Health Track				
	ENG 132				
	Overall	Listening	Speaking	Reading	Writing
IELTS Academic	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5
TOEFL iBT	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5
Recorded Grade	A +				

2. Studying high school in a country where English is spoken as an official language, prior to joining the university.
3. Completing the last four years of American Diploma studies at a school accredited with academic recognition.

Second: Conditions for exemption from English language courses (a compulsory university requirement):

1. The English language proficiency certificate (IELTS and TOEFL iBT or their equivalents) must be official and verified.
2. The IELTS General Training test is not accepted for exemption from Level One or Level Two courses in the Health Track.
3. The English proficiency test must have been taken within the past two years at the time of applying for exemption.
4. Certificates from remotely conducted tests are not accepted.
5. The required scores must be achieved in all components of the IELTS or TOEFL iBT test (or their equivalents).
6. The student will not be exempted from the English course if she has withdrawn from the course or received a (DN) grade.
7. Exemption from English language courses does not apply to programs under the College of Languages.
8. University rules and regulations shall be applied in the event that any forged or unverified documents are submitted.
9. Students shall not be eligible to apply again for exemption from English language courses if forgery is proven.

Third: Procedures for submitting a request for exemption from English language courses for all tracks:

Through the English Course Exemption Request service on the main page of the Deanship of Admission and Registration via:



To apply for exemption



To register for the IELTS test

- The student must attend the lectures until she is officially notified of the exemption and the exemption is accepted.

Exemption Application Submission Dates	
Start	Sunday,9/ 08/ 2026 —26/ 02/ 1448 AH
End	Thursday,17/ 09/ 2026 —6 / 4/ 1448 AH