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School of Culture, Media and Society,  
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**Changes in the English Language Proficiency Test:  
Global Studies in Japanese Cultures Program (JCulP)  
Overseas Students Admission**

Regarding the Global Studies in Japanese Cultures Program (JCulP) for overseas students in the School of Culture, Media and Society, we will make the following changes regarding the English Language Proficiency Test.

**1. Change in the TOEFL iBT score requirement**

Due to the introduction of the updated score scale for the TOEFL iBT, the required scores for examinees who take tests administered on or after January 21, 2026 will change as follows.

TOEFL iBT	On or Before January 20, 2026 (previous score scale)	On or After January 21, 2026 (updated score scale)
Required Score	95 or higher	5 or higher

\* Only the tests taken on or after the date stated in the application guide will be deemed valid.

\* Scores obtained on or before January 20, 2026 are also acceptable within the period stated in the application guide.

**2. Change in Accepted English Language Proficiency Tests**

Beginning with the 2028 JCulP Overseas Students Admissions, the Accepted English Language Proficiency Tests will change as follows.

Test	Up to 2027 Intake	From 2028 Intake Onwards
Eiken	Accepted	Accepted (No Changes)
IELTS (Academic)	Accepted	Accepted (No Changes)
TOEFL iBT	Accepted	Accepted (No Changes)
TEAP	Accepted	<u>NOT Accepted</u>
TEAP CBT	*	<u>NOT Accepted</u>
Cambridge English Qualification	Accepted	<u>NOT Accepted</u>
GTEC CBT	Accepted	<u>NOT Accepted</u>

\*Due to the discontinuation of score reporting by the TEAP CBT test provider as of March 2026, the test will no longer be accepted for admissions from the 2027 intake onwards.

### 3. Accepted English Language Proficiency Tests (from 2027 Intake Onwards)

2027 Intake

Test	IELTS (academic)	TEAP	Eiken	Cambridge English Qualification	GTEC (CBT)	TOEFL iBT	
						On or Before January 20, 2026 (previous score scale)	On or After January 21, 2026 (updated score scale)
Required Score	7.0	375	2600	180	1350	95	<u>5</u>

2028 Intake Onwards

Test	IELTS (academic)	Eiken	TOEFL iBT (updated score scale)
Required Score	7.0	2600	<u>5</u>

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