

Everything you need to know about UCI's Oral Proficiency Testing and ESL classes

International students are required to have one of these minimum scores in order to be a TA: 26 on the speaking part of TOEFL iBT, 8 on the speaking part of IELTS, 50 on UCI's SPEAK, OR 5 on UCI's TOEP.

SPEAK is a computer-based test given 4 times each year: approximately 3 weeks before the beginning of Fall quarter, and during the 4th week of classes in Fall, Winter and Spring quarters. Students receive results approximately 2 weeks after the test.

SPEAK TEST DATES IN 2017-2018

AUGUST 21, 2017 (registration July 31-August 11)

OCTOBER 25, 2017 (registration October 11-20)

JANUARY 31, 2018 (registration January 17-26)

APRIL 25, 2018 (registration April 11-20)

Two standardized tests - **TOEFL iBT** and **IELTS** are offered at campuses in Southern CA. Check the websites - <http://www.ets.org/toefl> and <http://www.ielts.org> - for dates.

TOEP is an interview exam given 3 times a year: in early September and at the end of fall and spring quarters. Students receive results within 1 week after the test.

TOEP TEST DATES IN 2017-2018

SEPTEMBER 11-15, 2017 (registration August 14-18)

DECEMBER 15 and 18-19, 2017 (registration November 13-17)

JUNE 15 and 18-20, 2018 (registration May 7-11)

- *The UCI Graduate Council sets test eligibility for TOEP. Students **MUST** have a score on file for TOEFL iBT, IELTS, or a score of 40 or 45 on their first SPEAK@UCI to be eligible to take TOEP one time. Only those receiving a 4 on TOEP or 45 on SPEAK are eligible to repeat these tests without passing an ESL class.*
- Please note that spaces for UCI oral proficiency tests fill very quickly so make sure to register early (beginning at 8:30 a.m. on registration dates). You must register using the links on line after reading all eligibility rules on the SPEAK and/or TOEP websites.
 - SPEAK <http://www.humanities.uci.edu/studio/speak/>
 - TOEP <http://www.humanities.uci.edu/esl/toep/>
- Each test costs \$70. Payments are made to the Cashier's Office (payable to UC Regents).

Academic English/ESL classes at UCI: International graduate students who want to improve English skills should enroll in Academic English/ESL courses, offered every quarter except as noted. Contact tina.m@uci.edu with questions about classes.

- AcEng 23A (Basic Pronunciation)
- AcEng 23B (Intermediate Conversation)
- AcEng 23C (Advanced Communication) Fall and Winter only
- AcEng 24 (TA Workshop, Spring only)
- AcEng 28 (Grammar for Writing) spaces limited
- AcEng 139W (Advanced Expository Writing) heavy workload; instructor's permission required; priority given to upper-division undergraduates