

English Language Proficiency Requirement

Alternative Certification Request Form

Colleges/Schools, Departments, and Interdisciplinary Degree Programs must initiate requests for Alternative Certification. Approval will provide the international graduate student named below with an English Language Proficiency status of Level 1 Certification which satisfies the ELP requirement for enrollment and to hold Graduate Assistant-Teacher (GAT), Graduate Assistant-Lecturer (GAL), etc. positions.

Please submit the completed form to ELPCompliance@tamu.edu.

Student Name: _____

Student UIN: _____

Department/Program Approver: _____

Department/Program Approver Signature: _____

Date: _____

Basis of Alternative Certification:

OPTION ONE: The international graduate student named above holds a Bachelor’s degree following four years of study at an accredited institution located within the United States and, therefore, qualifies for Alternative Certification. (If the student completed less than four years of a Bachelor’s degree at or holds a Master’s degree from an accredited institution located within the United States, please complete the [Alternative Verification Form](#).)

OPTION TWO: The international graduate student named above holds citizenship with an English-speaking country listed by the [Office of Admissions](#) and, therefore, qualifies for Alternative Certification.

OPTION THREE: The international graduate student named above qualifies for Alternative Certification by other means. Requests for Alternative Certification by other means requires strong justification (provided below). The department or interdisciplinary degree program must provide complete documentation with this form to support the Alternative Certification request. Review will be conducted in accordance with Graduate and Professional School policies and guidelines.