TOEFL - Test Dates & Locations

TOEFL tests are scheduled almost every Friday & Saturday (additional dates are available) in authorized test centers worldwide (80 centers in Germany). Check for the next date / center near you

As the pandemic continues, ETS is offering test taker the opportunity to take the test from home. When registering for a test taker can select "Special Home Edition" instead of time / location.

The test fee for the TOEFL iBT is \$ 260 in Germany (approx. 220 € depending on the current exchange rate, you find current rates and availability on the ETS site).

TOEFL – Timings for candidates

Scores are available approximately 6 days after test day for the test taker in their online profile and shortly after for the institution.

A 6-month lead-up planning, with the principle "first come, first serve" applies. To accommodate unexpected events, we advise to take the test around 2-3 months before any deadline.

For candidates who want to apply for <u>special needs</u>, the individual evaluation would add to the timing (6-12 weeks) only after an approval was given candidates will get a test session assigned.

TOEFL - Institutional DI code

We can only accept official score report send directly by ETS as proof of your results test taker copies are NOT accepted. The student exchange office of Freie Universitaet Berlin is given access to a digital version of the TOEFL report.

To enable the student exchange office of Freie Universitaet Berlin access to your score reports you need to provide our <u>institutional code</u> C507 when registering your test session or ordering additional score report in your online test profile.

The test set up includes 4 <u>free</u> recipients which you can enter before the test. You can order more / add retrospectively recipient's trough your online profile (a small administration fee applies).

TOEFL - Department code

There is no department code, this can be left blank.

TOEFL - Validation period

The score report for the TOEFL iBT is valid for 2 years after the test day, to ensure adequate proficiency as certified.

We are only accepting recent TOEFL scores, these should be no older than 24 months.

TOEFL - Score acceptance

We look at the TOEFL iBT score within the context of the student's complete application and do not base our decisions strictly on single test scores.

Good test results do not guarantee admission to the program; Test scores are considered alongside other application criteria as stated as official admission requirements.

English language policies differ for divisions and programs, please look your desired program up to get informed about the specific requirements for admission.

TOEFL - Score display

The minimum required total score for the TOEFL iBT depends on the requirements of the partner universities (see call for applications at www.fu-berlin.de/direktaustausch)

As a guide, successful applicants have usually scored 90 - 100 on the TOEFL iBT. All sections of the TOEFL iBT will be considered.

TOEFL iBT	IELTS	CEFR	Skill level
46 - 59	5.5	B1	Vantage or upper intermediate
60 - 78	6		
79 - 93	6.5	B2	Effective operational proficiency
94 - 101	7		
102 - 109	7.5	C1	Expertise of proficiency
110 - 114	8		
115 - 117	8.5	C1/C2	Mastery of proficiency
118 - 120	9		

TOEFL - MyBest Scores

Some institutions accept <u>MyBest scores</u> for the TOEFL iBT test, in addition to TOEFL iBT scores from a single test date.

Most institutions only accept TOEFL iBT scores from a single test date, not MyBest scores.

TOEFL - Test prep & resources

• Free TOEFL Online Course (MOOC) on the edX platform

This course comes from the developers of the TOEFL test and gives a detailed insight into the test procedure and is therefore well suited for preparation.

Free TOEFL iBT practical test

In addition to interactive tasks and questions, this includes the corresponding answers for reading and listening as well as sample answers to questions about speaking and writing.

• Free TOEFL iBT test preparation planner (PDF)

This includes an eight-week plan to help candidates set weekly exercise goals.

Official TOEFL App TOEFL Go!

This app is perfect for mobile test preparation. It is free, but has optional in-app purchases, which can be used to expand the questionnaire.

• Official <u>TOEFL iBT Tests</u> Volume 1/ 2

Each with 5 full length practice tests, including answer keys, sample speaking and writing responses. It is available as paperback with accompanying DVD, or as eBook with audio tracks.

TOEFL test resources

www.toeflibt.de and / or www.ets.org/toefl Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, WeChat

• Freie Universität Berlin's Language Center

You can check out the website of the Center for Independent Language Learning of Freie Universität Berlin in order to find supportive material to prepare your test: https://www.sprachenzentrum.fu-berlin.de/slz/

TOEFL – Important contacts

Germany / EU Support:

Support Germany: TOEFLSupport4Germany@ets.org

Support Tel. EU: 0800-181-6333 / 0800-181- 4181(Toll Free) Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. CET

Please provide your session ID, full name, and date of birth as well as in short, the nature of your inquiry in the subject line, to direct your request swiftly to a suitable solution provider.

HQ Support:

Support live Chat: http://ets.custhelp.com/app/chat/toefl/chat_launch

ETS digital assistant: https://www.ets.org/toefl/contact

Registration Tel: +31-320-239-540 (experiencing problems registering for a test at a test centre)

Special Home Edition:

ProctorU support: <u>support@proctoru.com</u>

ProctorU support Tel: +1-855-772-8678 (Support is available 24/7)

ProcorU live Chat: option is available within your ProctorU account (available 24/7)

Hotline Tel: +31-320-239-540 (reporting abnormalities / problems during or after the test session) **Applying for special needs:**

Disability Support: stassd@ets.org

Disability Registration: <u>disability.reg@ets.org</u> (we recommend to apply trough the online test profile) Disability Tel: +1-609-771-7780 Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. EST (except for U.S. holidays)

TOEFL – Tests and purpose

• **TOEFL iBT** Special Home Edition (temporary due to the Pandemic)

Special Home Edition is a safe and convenient option for students to take the test as public health concerns sustain. The test is using identical content in format and experience and is monitored by a human proctor. Available 24 hours / 4 days a week, with appointments as early as 24h after registration.

TOEFL iBT stands for internet-based Test

The TOEFL iBT test is the world's premium English proficiency test for higher education study, work and immigration. The test measures academic English skills by evaluating Reading, Listening, Speaking, and Writing on an academic level. The high quality and security standards promote fair and unbiased scores such as a centralized scoring network, not at a test center.

• **TOEFL rPDT** is a revised version of the PDT which stands for paper delivered test

ETS remains committed to providing everybody chance to do the TOEFL test and therefore get access to higher education. Therefore, the Test is offered in locations where internet testing is not available. The test is designed to align closely with the TOEFL iBT in that it requires test takers to combine their communication skills. There is no Speaking section.

• TOEFL ITP stands for Institutional Testing Program

This test is normally administered by schools for the age group 16+ or institutions regarding specific student needs for placement within programme, monitoring internal learning success and progress as well as program exit needs. There is no Speaking section and this test is no replacement for a TOEFL iBT!