

Successful Completion of the Intensive English Program

The California State University Northridge (CSUN) Intensive English Program (IEP) is designed to help international students build their English language proficiency to the level required to successfully pass one of the English language proficiency exams accepted by CSUN. It also prepares international students for academic success as an undergraduate or graduate student at a U.S. college or university (particularly at CSUN). Successful completion of the CSUN IEP program is strongly recommended to support the academic success of international students who enroll in degree programs at CSUN.

The English language skills of international students admitted to the IEP program are assessed by CSUN. Following this assessment, each international student admitted to the IEP program is placed in the appropriate level in the levels of the IEP program.

To successfully complete the IEP program, an international student must begin at the level of the IEP program in which he/she is placed. The student must complete each subsequent level of the program through to the final course, which is a university bridge course (international students will be assigned to one of two final IEP bridge courses, depending on whether the international student is preparing for undergraduate or graduate studies).

Successful completion of the IEP program requires a grade of C (2.0) or above in each course taken in the IEP program leading to the required overall grade point average (GPA) of C (2.0) or above for the full program.

Note: *Those who complete the IEP program as defined above with a GPA of B or above (3.0) may qualify for a waiver of the TOEFL testing requirement.*