

## **TOEFL Exemptions**

Students who meet one of the following eligibility criteria may be waived from the TOEFL exam, however, PGCC's reading and English placement test may be required prior to course registration.

- Eligibility to transfer the EGL-1010 equivalent from an accredited college or university in the United States
- Completion of a program at an accredited English language institute
- Placement test score of 421 or higher on PGCC's Accuplacer ESL Placement Exam (only available to students currently in the United States)
- Completion of ALL middle and high school in the United States
- Completion of the GED diploma program
- If you are from one of the following countries, you are exempt from the TOEFL requirement:
  - o Antigua
  - o Australia
  - Bahamas
  - Barbados
  - Belize
  - Bermuda
  - British Virgin Islands (St. Kitts-Nevis, Anguilla)
  - o Cameroon (British system—TOEFL not required. French system—TOEFL required)
  - Canada (English-speaking—TOEFL not required. French-speaking—TOEFL required, unless letter from the school indicates that English was the official language of instruction)
  - Cayman Islands
  - Dominica
  - Ghana
  - Grand Turks and Caicos Islands
  - o Grenada
  - o Guyana
  - Ireland
  - Jamaica
  - Kenya (English-speaking—TOEFL not required. Swahili-speaking—TOEFL required, unless letter from the school indicates that English was the official language of instruction)
  - Liberia
  - Montserrat
  - o Namibia
  - New Zealand
  - Nigeria



- Sierra Leone
- South Africa (English-speaking—TOEFL not required. Afrikaans-speaking—TOEFL required, unless letter from the school indicates that English was the official language of instruction)
- o St. Lucia
- o St. Vincent
- Eswatini/Swaziland (English-speaking—TOEFL not required. Siswati-speaking—TOEFL required, unless letter from the school indicates that English was the official language of instruction)
- o The Gambia
- Tanzania
- Trinidad and Tobago
- o U.S. Virgin Islands (St. Thomas, St. Croix, St. John)
- Uganda
- o United Kingdom
- o Zambia
- Zimbabwe

NOTE: Students from Puerto Rico are considered U.S. citizens, but are still required to take the TOEFL exam.