ESL Pathway Program at Rowan University

International students applying to the university for an **undergraduate bachelor's degree** with a minimum TOEFL score of 55, IELTS score of 5.5, PTE score of 45 and Duolingo score of 95*, may be accepted into the university through ESL Pathway Program, which is an adjudicated program by the SEVP. These students will be **required** to take 1 semester of “Pathway” classes.

Pathway classes are credit-bearing academic English classes that will help students improve language skills during the first semester of undergraduate studies. Students will register for Advanced Academic English for Non-Native Speakers of English (9 credits) and one or two Freshman-level courses (3 to 6 credits). Advanced Academic English for Non-Native Speakers of English (9 credits) includes Academic Integrated Reading, Writing, and Oral Presentation Skills.

**The Pathway classes are offered for undergraduate credit only.**

**Admissions Requirements:**

Students will follow the regular undergraduate admissions process for international students. Students who meet undergraduate admissions requirements and provide a language test result with a minimum score listed above, can be admitted to ESL Pathway Program during their first semester at the university.

**Unique Components of the Pathway Program:**

- Students begin working on their bachelor’s degree while improving their academic English
- Students receive university admissions letter and I-20. On I-20, student’s major is ESL and minor is an undergraduate degree program. Upon successful completion of ESL Pathway Program, the student’s I-20 is updated (Undergraduate degree program becomes Major and ESL is removed)
- Students may be able to complete their bachelor’s degree in four years
- Students receive the extra support of a strong learning community

*For students in Rowan’s Intensive English Language Program, university language requirements for admission are:

For admission through required Pathway classes:

- Successful completion of level 4

For direct admission (no Pathway classes required):

- Successful completion of Level 5

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