

*Hochiminh City, August 23, 2023*

## **ANNOUNCEMENT**

### **Re: Exemption from English Skills courses at all levels for students holding International English Certificates**

Pursuant to Decision No. 275/QD-SIU dated August 21, 2023 of the Chancellor of the Saigon International University on promulgation of “Regulation on exemption from English Skills courses at all levels for students holding International English Certificates”;

The Academic Office would like to inform all students attending regular undergraduate programs about submission of International English Certificates with the aim of exemption from English Skills courses (hereinafter referred to as “ES courses”) as follows:

#### **I. Subjects of application**

Students attending regular undergraduate programs at the Saigon International University.

#### **II. Requirements for exemption from ES courses**

##### **1. For English Language students**

- Students submitting a valid IELTS certificate with a score of 6.0-7.0 or a valid TOEFL iBT certificate with a score of 60-101 are exempted from the following courses:

- Intensive Listening 1 & 2
- Intensive Reading 1 & 2
- Intensive Speaking 1 & 2
- Intensive Writing 1 & 2

- Students submitting a valid IELTS certificate with a score of 7.5 or higher or a valid TOEFL iBT certificate with a score of 102 or higher are exempted from the following courses:

- Intensive Listening 1 & 2
- Intensive Reading 1 & 2
- Intensive Speaking 1 & 2
- Intensive Writing 1 & 2
- Advanced Listening 1 & 2
- Advanced Reading 1 & 2
- Advanced Speaking 1 & 2
- Advanced Writing 1 & 2

##### **2. For students of other majors**

- Students submitting a valid IELTS certificate with a score of 6.0 or higher or a TOEFL iBT certificate with a score of 60 or higher are exempted from the English Skills 1, 2, 3 and English Proficiency 1, 2, 3 courses.

- Students failing to submit international English certificates such as IELTS or TOEFL iBT may take the English entrance examination (the tests are designed according to the Cambridge examination format) organized by the Saigon International University. Students achieving the score equivalent to Level 3 (B1) are exempted from the English Skills 1 course.

3. Students who are exempted from a course receive a score of 10 for that course.

Students (except English Language students) exempted from the 6 ES courses may choose to take the 4 2nd Foreign Language courses.

### **III. Deadline and method for submitting applications for exemption from ES courses**

#### **1. Deadline**

- For the first semester of the 2023-2024 school year: Applications must be submitted on working days, from the date of announcement until September 16, 2023.

- For the second semester of the 2023-2024 school year: Applications must be submitted on working days, from the date of announcement until January 17, 2024.

#### **2. Method**

- Students submit applications for exemption from ES courses enclosed with the original International English Certificate to the Academic Office of the Saigon International University.

Students who wish to be exempted from ES courses must follow the regulations and deadlines mentioned above. For more information, please contact the Academic Office or the School of Foreign Languages for timely guidance.

#### ***Recipients:***

- *University Board (for directing);*
- *Schools, Offices;*
- *Archive: Admin.*

**CHANCELLOR**

**Dr. Pham Quy Ty**

