Amendment to
The Previously Proposed Changes to the existing ESOL program
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Rationale:

To better assist the International Student Office in: (1) recruiting prospective international students in a more competitive manner; (2) achieving the targeted number of such students’ population at Dixie State College of Utah (hereafter, DSC) in a short period of time.

Recently Approved Proposal:

• Admission criteria for the DSC degree programs.

  a) Unconditional Admission (to the DSC degree programs as regular, academic students)

     Currently, DSC admits students who scored 173 (500 on the paper-based) or higher (on TOEFL computer-based test) to the degree programs. However, ETS (Educational Testing Services), which administers TOEFL – in addition to others, such as GMAT, GRE, SAT. . . etc. – recommends the score of 213 (550 on the paper-based) or higher, or 79 or higher on the internet-based test, as a guideline for admission for undergraduate students. Thus, DSC should modify the required score for admission based on the internet-based test, as proposed below:

     i) The score of 61 (173 on the computer-based; 500 on the paper-based) (with a minimum of 15 for each section) or higher if *graduated from U.S. secondary school;

     ii) The score of 71 (197 on the computer-based; 530 on the paper-based) (with a minimum of 17 for each section) or higher if not graduated from U.S. secondary school.

     *a proof, such as a photocopy of diploma, needs to be submitted

     In addition,

     iii) A writing requirement needs to be satisfied.
Students who scored 24 or higher for writing section are exempted from this Requirement. However, for those whose scores are below 24, this requirement can be satisfied by either (1) completing ESOL 0500 (Intermediate Academic Writing) with a grade of B (83%) or better or (2) taking the Test of Written English (TWE) and submit a score of 4 or higher. Upon meeting these requirements, students in unconditional admission status will be allowed to register as full-time academic students.

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(i) TOEFL iBT minimum score of 61 (173 on the computer-based; 500 on the paper-based) (with a minimum of 15 for each section) or higher.

(ii) No writing requirement

(iii) No U.S. secondary school diploma required

For those who successfully scored the minimum required score on TOEFL iBT, will be admitted to the DSC degree program as regular, full-time academic students.

- International Student Fee

A $150 per semester student fee should be charged to cover activities and events designed specifically for international students and to better acquaint them with St. George area.

Amendment:

There will be no fees, for the International Student Office charges such fees.