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Assessment Language Policy Statement

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1. Introduction

NCC Education is a UK awarding body and global provider of education. As an awarding organisation, NCC Education is responsible for developing, delivering and certifying internationally recognised British qualifications.

This Policy Statement outlines NCC Education's policy on the language of assessment, teaching and learning materials and candidates' work.

2. English Language

2.1 NCC Education's *Academic Regulations*

As outlined in NCC Education's *Academic Regulations* in Section 5 'Entry Requirements' (sub-section '5.1.2. English Language'), all NCC Education qualifications are taught and assessed in English.

Therefore, the language of assessment and teaching and learning materials used by NCC Education and its Accredited Partner Centres **MUST** be English.

Candidates **MUST** also ensure all work is completed in English.

2.1.1 English Language Entry Requirements

NCC Education's *Academic Regulations* instructs that all candidates who are not native English speakers will be expected to demonstrate that they can satisfy the level of competence required at their level of study. Candidates may demonstrate this through an appropriate recognised certification (e.g. IELTS.) or diagnostic test such as the NCC Education English Placement Test.

For guidance, the typical levels of English Language ability required are:

- IELTS 4.5 for preparatory or bridging programmes which include the teaching of English as a Foreign Language (at the time of publication, this is limited to NCC Education's Level 3 International Foundation Diploma for Higher Education Studies);
- IELTS 5.5 or equivalent for Level 4 entry;
- IELTS 6.5 or equivalent for Level 7 entry.

However, there may be different English Language requirements applied on some qualifications, and the definitive standard is set out in the relevant Qualification Specification.

3. Other Languages

While NCC Education is a global provider of education, it is responsible for developing, delivering and certifying internationally recognised British qualifications, therefore

regardless of where its Accredited Partner Centres are based, NCC Education requires **ALL** centres to teach candidates and deliver NCC Education qualifications in English.

3.1 Welsh Language

NCC Education is required to state that it does not make qualifications available in Welsh, nor are there any proposals to do so, at the time of publication.