



**DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
AIR EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMAND**

13 June 2024

MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Cancellation of Reduction of DLIELC Minimum ECL Entry from 55 to 50

Reference: AETC/IA Approval for Reduction of DLIELC Minimum ECL Entry From 55 to 50 For 18-24 Months dated 23 November 2022 (Rescinded)

1. Effective 1 July 2024, the minimum English Comprehension Level (ECL) score needed for entry into DLIELC's general English language training (ELT) courses, without a waiver, will return to 55 in accordance with SAMM C10.10.3.3.
2. This decision was made to support the exacting standards of language proficiency expected from international military students. Raising the entry ECL score, will help to ensure that all students admitted to DLIELC possess a solid foundation of English language skills, enabling them to fully benefit from offered programs and achieve their language requirements. This change may affect some students who previously met the ECL 50-score requirement. To minimize impact, DLIELC will allow students who scored a 50 ECL prior to the 1 July 2024 deadline, 180 days to enroll (a student who scores a 50 ECL on 30 June 2024 must enroll and attend DLIELC by 30 December 2024). However, any prospective student that tests after 1 July must score a 55 ECL to attend DLIELC.
3. By raising the minimum score, DLIELC will be able to provide a better learning environment and ensure that all students receive the support and resources they need to succeed. AETC/IA and DLIELC value your partnership and appreciate your support in the pursuit of excellence in English language education.
4. For questions or concerns about this policy change, please contact Mr. Terrence Luther AETC/IAO, at (210) 601-9062, or via email at terrence.luther.1@us.af.mil.

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Attachment:

IA MFR Reduction of DLIELC Minimum ECL Entry From 55 to 50 (23 Nov 22)