



The Versant English Test requirement applies to all students from countries where English is not the native language; however, such students will be exempt if they have completed a previous degree from a regionally accredited U.S. college or university, from a country where English is the only official language, or from a university at which English is the only official language of instruction, or they have received a score of 26 or higher on the Speak portion of the ibt TOEFL.

Students who are non-native speakers of English and do not qualify for an exemption must pass the Versant English Speaking test before they will be permitted to teach as Graduate Teaching Associates or Graduate Teaching Assistants. The Versant test is not required for students who will be appointed as a Graduate Teaching Grader.

UCF Global English Language Programs offers the Versant English test, a ten week training course and other optional language courses to support non-native speakers.

### VERSANT TEST AND OCI TRAINING SESSION OFFERINGS

- » The Versant test is offered at the beginning and end of every Fall and Spring semester
- » The Oral Communication for Internationals (OCI) training course is ten weeks long and offered in both the Fall and Spring semesters

### CRITERIA FOR RECEIVING FREE VERSANT TEST AND OCI TRAINING

The College of Graduate Studies will provide students with a free English Speaking Test (Versant) and OCI training if they:

- » Are taking the test for the first time at the beginning of a Fall or Spring semester
- » Receive a score between **58 and 68** on their initial Versant test

### HOW DOES IT WORK?

#### Step 1:

Register for the Versant English Speaking Test. Visit [global.ucf.edu/english-test](https://global.ucf.edu/english-test). Choose a test date listed and click on “register”.

*Note: the test fee will not be covered by the College of Graduate Studies for students taking the Versant Test in the summer.*

#### Step 2:

Based off the Versant Test scores, the table on the other side of this page list ways to qualify for the free English Speaking training course (OCI), and other optional paid training courses.

### FAILURE TO COMPLETE THE VERSANT TEST AND OCI TRAINING SESSION

- » Failure to attend the required OCI training sessions or complete the Versant test at the end of the semester will result in the student being charged for the training and Versant test:
  - » OCI training: \$900 per session
  - » Versant test: \$70 per exam

### FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE FREE ENGLISH TEST, OCI TRAINING COURSE AND ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE COURSES

- » **English Speaking Test**  
<https://global.ucf.edu/english-test>
- » **Video Tutorial of Versant Test**  
<https://youtu.be/XiZ3RObSp8U>
- » **Contact Information:**  
UCF Global (407) 823-2337 or (407) 823-5517

### FOR MORE INFORMATION ON GRADUATE STUDIES FUNDING AND GTA REQUIREMENTS

- » Contact the College of Graduate Studies, [gradassistantship@ucf.edu](mailto:gradassistantship@ucf.edu) or 407-823-2766 in Millican Hall Room 230.  
<https://graduate.ucf.edu/graduate-teaching/#English-Speaking-Test>



INITIAL VERSANT SCORE	UCF GLOBAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE COURSE OPTIONS
<b>69 or more</b>	<p><b>NO TRAINING NEEDED</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>» You may be a GTA Associate, or Assistant, provided you meet other SACs-related qualifications</li></ul>
<b>58-68</b>	<p><b>ORAL COMMUNICATION FOR INTERNATIONALS (OCI)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>» One semester of free OCI training</li><li>» Must complete OCI Seminar Project (The seminar project is a capstone project where participants can demonstrate and apply all newly learned techniques).</li><li>» An additional Versant exam required at the end of the semester's training</li><li>» You may be employed as a GTA Assistant provided you meet other SACs-related qualifications</li></ul>
<b>60 or less Optional</b>	<p><b>ONLINE ENGLISH PROGRAM COURSES &amp; INTENSIVE ONE WEEK COURSES</b></p> <p><i>Please contact UCF Global English Language Programs for alternate language courses that will meet your needs. These programs charge a fee that must be paid by you or your college. You may pick multiple courses from the list below:</i></p> <p><b>Online English Program Courses (8-week online course)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>» For those that score below 60</li><li>» Listening/Speaking/Pronunciation Course</li><li>» Reading/Writing/Grammar Course</li></ul> <p><b>One-Week Intensive (Preparation for Versant Test)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>» For those that score 60 or higher</li></ul> <p><b>One-Week Intensive (Preparation for OCI Course)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>» For those that score 50 or higher</li></ul>