

English Speaking Test, OCI Training Course, and Optional Language Training Courses

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. They will also be exempt if they have received a score of 26 or higher on the Speak portion of the TOEFL iBT.

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

UCF Global English Language Programs offer the Versant English Test, a 12-week training course, and other optional English language courses online and on-site 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 12-week long and is 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. 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 on the Versant Test scores, the table on the other side of this page list ways to qualify for the free OCI training course, and other optional (paid) English language 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 course and the Versant Test:
 - » OCI training course: \$900 per 12-week 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 or 407-823-2766 in Millican Hall Room 230. https://graduate.ucf.edu/graduate-teaching/#English-Speaking-Test

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INITIAL VERSANT SCORE	UCF GLOBAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE COURSE OPTIONS
69 or more	NO TRAINING NEEDED >>> You may be a GTA Associate or a GTA Assistant, provided you meet other SACs-related qualifications.
58-68	ORAL COMMUNICATION FOR INTERNATIONALS (OCI) >> One semester of free OCI training. >> Must complete OCI Seminar Project (The seminar project is a capstone project where participants can demonstrate and apply all newly learned techniques.). >> An additional Versant exam required at the end of the semester's training. >> You may be employed as a GTA Assistant provided you meet other SACs-related qualifications.
60 or less (Optional)	ONLINE ENGLISH COURSES & INTENSIVE COURSES 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: Online English Program Courses (8-week online courses) » For those that score below 60: » Listening/Speaking/Pronunciation Course » Reading/Writing/Grammar Course One-Week Intensive (Preparation for Versant Test) » For those that score 60 or higher