National Chung Hsing University Freshman English Curriculum Overview

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- To enrich the English proficiency of students, the National Chung Hsing University (hereinafter referred to as the University) established this Overview in accordance with the University's "General Education Curriculum Guideline", "Undergraduate Program Freshman English Course Waiver Methods" and other related rules.
- This Overview is applicable for students in the University's undergraduate program. Π . Not applicable to students in Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures.
- Students who qualify with the conditions set on "National Chung Hsing University III. Undergraduate Program Freshman English Course Waiver Methods" may apply for a waiver of "Freshman English" credit.
- The University's "Freshman English" course placement is proceeded and IV. determined by Language Center of the College of Liberal Arts according to the student's level of English proficiency.
 - The aforementioned class placement is processed with consideration of "General Scholastic Ability Test English score", placement rules are as follow:
 - (I) "Freshman English" Class A: Students whose English score in the entrance test reached top standard.
 - (II) "Freshman English" Class B: Students whose English score in the entrance test reached high standard but not top standard.
 - (III) "Freshman English" Class C: Students whose English score in the entrance test reached mean standard and are not placed in Class A or B.
 - (IV) "Freshman English" Class D: Students whose English score in the entrance test didn't meet the mean standard.

If the student doesn't have a score in the aforementioned exam and English proficiency level does not meet the University's "Undergraduate Program Freshman English Course Waiver Methods" the student will be required to take the Freshman English Placement Assessment organized by the Language Center in the first week of every semester. The Center will make class placement in accordance with the exam result.

V. Class Transfer:

(I) Application Method: If a student considers the placement does not match his English proficiency, he may apply for "Freshman English" Class transfer with the original copy of relevant English proficiency certificate attached (exam date must be within two years) at the Language Center before the semester's Course <u>addition/withdrawal deadline.</u> Applications are not accepted after the deadline, and the student shall study in the class placed.

(II) Application standard:

- 1. <u>Students who meet one of the following standards</u> may transfer to "Freshman English" Class C: English proficiency test score must reach 550 or higher in TOEIC, 160 or higher in the GEPT preliminary test of Intermediate level, 4 or higher in IELTS, 460 or higher in TOEFL ITP, 42 or higher in TOEFL iBT.
- Students who meet one of the following standards may transfer to "Freshman English" Class B: English proficiency test score must reach 650 or higher in TOEIC, 140 or higher in the GEPT preliminary test of High-Intermediate level, 4.5 or higher in IELTS, 490 or higher in TOEFL ITP, 53 or higher in TOEFL iBT.
- 3. <u>Students who meet one of the following standards</u> may transfer to "Freshman English" Class A: English proficiency test score must reach 750 or higher in TOEIC, 150 or higher in the GEPT preliminary test of High-Intermediate level, 5 or higher in IELTS, 520 or higher in TOEFL ITP, 64 or higher in TOEFL iBT.
- (III)Application Restriction: Application for transfer is limited to once, and only to higher level class, transfer is not permitted between same level classes.
- (IV)The student is responsible for any costs incurred due to change of course materials and other expenditures.
- VI. Students admitted before academic year 2019 shall choose class according to self-assessment.
 - Students admitted in academic year 2019 and onward may choose same level class in different time slots, not limited to time slots of the department (degree program) of study; class selection shall be done within class selection timeline at the Language Centre.
- VII. Any unspecified areas in this Overview is governed by and shall be construed in all respects in accordance with the laws and regulations of the University.
- VIII. This Overview is established and executed after the approval of General Education Executive Committee and University Curriculum committee; any amendments made hereafter shall be the same.