Why choose CAEL CE

CAEL CE is the only test that provides an authentic representation of language use in a Canadian academic context.

The CAEL CE test evaluates how well students combine their English speaking, reading, listening, and writing skills to perform academic tasks that they would encounter at a Canadian university or college. Find out more at cael.ca

Test Features

Quick Online Results
Available online in 8 business days, sent to 5 institutions at no extra cost

Computer-delivered Test
Done in just one sitting and includes features such as a personal timer & word counter

Convenient Study Materials
Free sample tests, pretest sittings, webinars, prep programs, and online courses

Acceptance Across Canada
Accepted by over 180 Canadian universities and colleges, including all of the English U15 institutions

Accepting Institutions

100% English-speaking Universities in Canada that accept international students

82% English-speaking CiCan institutions that accept international students

Test Format

CAEL CE total test time is 3h30m and is done in one sitting

Speaking
Reply to on-screen prompts verbally
7-10 minutes

Integrated Reading
Read passages and reply to questions
35-50 minutes

Integrated Listening
Listen to passages and reply to questions
25-35 minutes

Academic Unit A
Answer comprehension questions and write a reply
60-70 minutes

Academic Unit B
Answer comprehension questions and write a reply
40-45 minutes

We chose CAEL because it contains, and expects students to produce the actual academic language of the university community. This validity was crucial in our decision.
- Robert Berman, University of Alberta

We have consistently found the test to be a much more accurate instrument for predicting academic success than the other tests available.
- Louis Buchanan, Ryerson University
**Test Locations**

40+ test-centres worldwide

*Total existing & planned locations for next 12 months. Test pricing & availability varies by location.

**Test Scoring**

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<td><strong>Expert:</strong> Demonstrates a high level of competence, accuracy, and effectiveness in academic/professional settings</td>
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<td><strong>Advanced:</strong> Displays competence in academic or professional settings</td>
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<td><strong>High Intermediate:</strong> Exhibits some competence in academic or professional settings; communication may break down in places</td>
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<td><strong>Intermediate:</strong> Demonstrates some ability to comprehend and articulate complex ideas and arguments typical of academic or professional settings</td>
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Stakeholders - Global (Summer 2019)