



Congratulations on your admission to DU!

At the University of Denver, we encourage the development of critical thinking and effective communication skills. Whether you find yourself engaged in humanistic and scientific discourse in the classroom or presenting your original research findings to your faculty and peers, we offer a broad range of forums that allow you to pursue your academic and scholarly interests. Fundamental to this intellectual experience is the ability to communicate effectively while mastering your field of study. With this in mind, the University of Denver requires students whose native language is not English to submit TOEFL/IELTS scores and to participate in an English language assessment administered by the DU English Language Center (ELC).

If your assessment results indicate that your English language proficiency is sufficient to support your academic success, you may enroll in graduate academic classes full-time. If your assessment reveals minor deficiencies and indicates your opportunity for academic success would be enhanced by ELC support, you will be placed in ELC bridge courses as needed while enrolled full-time in academic classes. If the DU assessment indicates significant levels of English language deficiency, you will be required to take an appropriate level of English language instruction at the ELC and may be required to reduce your academic course load accordingly.

The dates and format for the assessment will be communicated to you by the Office of Graduate Studies. I encourage you to take advantage of the scheduled assessment. If it is necessary to schedule an individual evaluation, you will incur a \$200.00 assessment charge and will not be cleared for registration until it is completed. If you have questions regarding the assessment, please contact us at 303-871-2706 as the Office of Graduate Studies staff will be happy to assist you.

I am pleased to welcome you into our graduate community and hope you will decide to join us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Barbara J. Wilcots".

Barbara J. Wilcots, PhD
Associate Provost for Graduate Studies