

PYP Promotion Exams

First: An Overview

At PSU, we understand the importance of flexibility for our students. That's why we offer promotion exams that allow students to be exempted from certain parts or the entire PYP (Preparatory Year Program). These exams are held just before the start of each semester and provide an opportunity for students to demonstrate their proficiency in English, Mathematics, or Computing. By achieving the required scores in these exams, students can waive specific portions of the PYP.

Second: General Eligibility

To be eligible to sit for a promotion exam, students must meet one of the following criteria:

- They must be newly admitted applicants who have received a PSU ID number, or
- A transfer student who has already been exempted from the first semester of the preparatory year program at PSU.

Please note that these are the general eligibility criteria for promotion exams. Additionally, to qualify for each promotion exam, students must also meet the specific minimum scores outlined for each course category.

Third: Minimum Scores to be Eligible for Promotion Exams

In order to be eligible to sit for each promotion exam, students must meet **one** of following minimum scores for each category of PYP courses: English, Mathematics, and Computing. The minimum score requirements for each category are detailed in the tables below.

1. Minimum Score Requirements for English Promotion Exam (to waive ENG010, ENG020, ENG030, and ENG040):

Test/Exam	Minimum Score
EPT (English Placement Test) by Qiyas	80%
IELTS (Academic)	Overall 4.5
TOEFL-iBT	Overall 34
SAT (General)	1100
IGCSE (English Subjects)	Grade B

Notes:

- International high school students are automatically exempt from ENG010, ENG020, and ENG040. They are also eligible to take the English language promotion exam to skip ENG030.
- Transfer students who have been exempted from the first semester of the PYP are eligible to sit for the English language promotion exam, allowing them to skip ENG030 and ENG040.



2. Minimum Score Requirements for Mathematics Promotion Exam (to waive MATH001):

Test/Exam	Minimum Score
Qudrat (General Aptitude Test) by Qiyas	90%
Tahsili (Academic Achievement Test) by Qiyas	85%
IGCSE (Mathematics Subjects)	A level or (O level = Grade B)
SAT (Math Section)	550
IBDP (International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme)	Math Standard Level

3. Minimum Score Requirements for Mathematics Promotion Exam (to waive MATH002):

Test/Exam	Minimum Score
MATH001 (PSU Final Exam Result)	95% or grade A+
MATH001 (PSU Promotion Exam Result)	85%
IGCSE (Mathematics Subjects)	(A level) = Grade B
SAT (Math Section)	600

Notes:

- A PSU student who earned an A+ in MATH001 during the semester final exam is eligible to sit for the MATH002 promotion exam.
- Transfer students who have been exempted from the first semester of the PYP are eligible to sit for the MATH002 promotion exam.

4. Minimum Score Requirements for Computing Promotion Exam (to waive CMP011):

Test/Exam	Minimum Score
IELTS (Academic) or TOEFL-iBT	Any score
International High School Graduate	English proficiency in Microsoft
	Office Programs (MS Word, Excel,
	PowerPoint, and Access)

5. Minimum Score Requirements for Computing Promotion Exam (to waive CMP012):

Test/Exam	Minimum Score
CMP011 (PSU Promotion Exam Result)	80%
ICDL2022 (International Computer Driving License) Certificate	ICDL2022 Certificate
Base2022 Certificate	Base2022 Certificate
Certification in Information Technology (CIT) Certificate	CIT Certificate