



Press release

Cambridge welcomes landmark court ruling on entry requirements for international students coming to the UK

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Cambridge ESOL - the UK's largest provider of English language qualifications - has welcomed the results of a judicial review which will mean fairer entry requirements for international students coming to study in the UK.

The announcement follows a lengthy campaign led by English UK and supported by a number of MPs challenging the last government's decision to raise the minimum level of English needed by international students coming to learn English in the UK.

Christine Nuttall, Director of Communications and Stakeholder Relations at Cambridge ESOL says:

'Today's announcement will mean a much fairer system for those wishing to study in the UK. The previous rules meant that legitimate students could have been prevented from studying in the UK. This makes it excellent news for language schools and the student community in the UK.'

The Regulations which were successfully challenged by English UK in the High Court were introduced earlier in the year. They effectively meant that non-EU students coming to study for more than 6 months would have needed an intermediate level of English before arriving.

Christine Nuttall said:

'This decision will not only be a real benefit to the international student market, but it has also helped to clarify the position on student visas. It will also benefit higher education given that so many students stay on in the UK to further their studies.'

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