



## **Press release**

### **96 per cent of the world's top universities use Cambridge English**

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New figures show that 96 per cent of the world's top 200 Universities recognise or use Cambridge English language qualifications from University of Cambridge ESOL Examinations (Cambridge ESOL). The report by Cambridge ESOL uses data from the QS TopUniversities.com rankings of the world's top universities issued in September. Of the 200 universities listed by QS TopUniversities.com, 192 or 96% use Cambridge English qualifications for admissions purposes, as part of their curriculum – or in some cases they help to prepare students for the language exams.

Welcoming this news, Sujata Stead from Cambridge ESOL says:

“It's really encouraging to see the top ranking universities around the world are recognising the importance of reliable English language qualifications. Those exposed to Cambridge English have a better experience of higher education and a competitive edge after graduation.”

In a separate set of rankings also published in September by the Times Higher Education, 94% of the top ranking universities listed also recognised Cambridge English certificates. The recognising institutions on both league tables help make up the 11,000 universities, employers and government departments around the world who recognise Cambridge English as a reliable measure of language ability. Sujata Stead says:

“As a worldwide gold standard of ability, Cambridge English helps individuals on to the job ladder, with immigration applications and further studies.”

Every year, more than three million people in 130 countries take Cambridge English language exams run by the University's English-language exams department, Cambridge ESOL.

#### **Ends**

A full list of the 11,000 plus organisations which accept Cambridge English exams is available at: <http://www.cambridgeesol.org/recognition/search.php>

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