Office of International Programs
English Language Proficiency Verification Form for J-1 Exchange Applicants

J-1 exchange visitors are required to demonstrate English language proficiency per the following U.S. Department of State regulation:

US Department of State regulations require that J-1 program sponsors verify, by an objective measurement, that each J-1 exchange visitor possesses sufficient proficiency in the English language to successfully participate in his or her program and to function on daily basis. (22 CFR§62.10(a)(2)).

To the Applicant:
Please complete the following form and upload it with the requested documentation to your Rensselaer exchange student application. Without this information, Rensselaer is unable to issue the immigrations documents that you will need to obtain a visa.

Name of J-1 exchange visitor: __________________________________________
Home Institution: __________________________________________

The English Proficiency Requirement can be satisfied by submitting documentation of at least one of the following:

☐ Certification of English proficiency from a recognized English language school.
☐ My first/native language is English.
☐ I have taken the following English language proficiency test and met the minimum scores required for admission to Rensselaer:
  o TOEFL (minimum score of 230 CBT, 88 iBT, or 570 PBT)
  o IELTS (minimum score of 7.0, academic format only)
    Please attach report forms.
  o Duolingo English Test (DET): Rensselaer expects a minimum score of 115
  o Pearson’s Test of English (PTE): a PTE score of at least 59 is expected

☐ Letter from home institution confirming English language abilities based on university entrance requirements or other objective measurement.