**AMENDMENT III**

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

To be eligible the PhD research scholars must be fluent in English in order to follow with the program and further publish scientific papers.

Language proficiency can be verified either by the submission of recognised international certificates, taken in the previous 4 years and with the minimum grades detailed below; or by an individual interview to be implemented by the Department of Education and Training office for Mercosur.

PhD research scholars who deliver other international certificates or who have performed below the grades detailed must pass the individual interview.

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| **International Certificates** | **Minimum Requirements** |
| IELTS – Academic Test Result (ONLY) | Overall score of 6.5 with no individual band less than 6.0 |
| TOEFL – Internet Based Test (IBT) | Overall score of 79 with a minimum score of 21 in the writing section and no less than 19 in the other sections |
| CAE – Cambridge English Advanced Only | Overall score of 176 with no individual band less than 169 |
| PTE – Academic Test result ONLY | Overall score of 58 with no individual band less than 50 |