

New Data Element Request Form
University System of Georgia

Requester Information

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Information about Proposed Data Element

1. Proposed name of new data element:

Code	Description
TOIBT5	English Proficiency - TOEFL (ibt) - New - Listening
TOIBT1	English Proficiency - TOEFL (ibt) - New - Overall
TOIBT2	English Proficiency - TOEFL (ibt) - New - Reading
TOIBT3	English Proficiency - TOEFL (ibt) - New - Speaking
TOIBT4	English Proficiency - TOEFL (ibt) - New - Writing

2. **Why is the new element needed?**

On January 21, 2026, TOEFL iBT introduced an updated score scale (from 1-6 in increments of 0.5). TOEFL will be providing three scores on every score report for the next two years: (1) CEFR level; (2) 1 – 6 overall and section scores; and (3) a comparable 0 – 120 overall score.

New data elements with the new score scale are being requested. Old test codes & scores for the TOEFL (ibt) may be decommissioned beginning Spring 2028 (scores are valid for 2 years)

<https://www.ets.org/toefl/institutions/ibt/score-scale-update.html>

3. **When is the new element needed? Please list the first term you are asking the element to be collected, as well as the latest acceptable term collection could start. Also note if there are any policies or deadlines related to your request.**

Fall 2026 EOT or Spring 2027

The current scale will be provided on score reports for 2 years so institutions can continue to use the current valid values until this change is complete.

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- 4. Provide a brief description of the new data element. Please provide all possible values; if requesting additional tests to be collected, please provide minimum and maximum possible scores as well as the minimum passing score. Please specify whether the values are text or numeric and provide any source documentation if available.**

New data elements should mirror the data elements being decommissioned in business practice and descriptions. The new data elements should have the following validation rule established to reflect the new test score scale:

Validation Rules: English Proficiency TOIBTL score must be **1.0 – 6.0** when it is not null.
 Excludes admit types TR, TL, TP, NT, TP, TN, AU, and PB.

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- 5. Is the data sensitive in any way?**

Yes, test codes and associated scores are considered sensitive student information.

- 6. Is the proposed element currently being collected by System institutions in Banner, or is this element not yet collected by institutions? Yes**

a) If Yes:

- (i) Where do the data reside (Banner table and form)?**

Banner Administrative Form: SOATEST

Banner Table: SORTEST

Banner Table Column: SORTEST_TEST_SCORE

SOAXREF Translation Code: RGTTEST (Test Code)

Test Codes should first be set up in STVTEST with a scale from 1.0 to 6.0

- (ii) What position(s) and division (s) have responsibility for its collection and storage (e.g. Admissions, Financial Aid, Registrar)?**

Admissions or Registrar

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- (iii) **To what other existing USG data elements is this one related and how would the new element affect them? Provide rules/edits that should be followed in collecting this information.**

The Data Element Name should be updated to reflect that these are the old test scores. Test scores are valid for 2 years after testing, therefore these codes should be decommissioned beginning Spring 2028. However, all new score reports moving forward will have the old and new scale. Institutions should use the new codes and scores once these codes are available.

- STR157 TOIBTL TOEFL (ibt) - Old - Listening
- STR158 TOIBTL TOEFL (ibt) - Old - Overall
- STR159 TOIBTL TOEFL (ibt) - Old - Reading
- STR160 TOIBTL TOEFL (ibt) - Old - Speaking
- STR161 TOIBTL TOEFL (ibt) - Old - Writing

<https://www.ets.org/toefl/test-takers/ibt/about/content.html>

The following related data elements can be decommissioned. The TOEFL PBT test was discontinued in April 2021.

- STR162 - TOPBTL TOEFL (pbt) Listening Comp
- STR163 - TOPBTO TOEFL (pbt) Overall
- STR164 - TOPBTR TOEFL (pbt) Reading Comp
- STR165 - TOPBTS TOEFL (pbt) Structure/Written
- STR166 - TOTWE TOEFL (pbt) Writing

<https://www.ef.edu/english-tests/toefl/pbt/>

- (iv) **Do all system institutions collect it in Banner? If not all, which institutions? Yes**

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2nd Read Approved April 2026