

ACT with Writing, SAT and SAT Subject Tests Requirements

There are different requirements for different high school qualifications presented to the University. For certain high school qualifications, applicants are required to submit either ACT with Writing or SAT, together with SAT Subject Tests scores. Applicants may submit ACT with Writing in lieu of SAT. For the list of acceptable high school qualifications and their requirements, please click [here](#).

ACT with Writing

The ACT consists of 5 sections: English, Mathematics, Reading, Science and Writing Test (Optional). The minimum acceptable composite score for consideration by NUS is 29; with writing component score of 27. For applicants who are submitting ACT in lieu of SAT, the writing component is compulsory.

For the ACT, all sections (inclusive of writing) have to be taken in one sitting. Combination of section scores from different sittings is not accepted.

The validity of ACT scores is five years, e.g. for applications closing on 1 March 2017, the validity period is from 1 March 2012 to 1 March 2017 (both dates inclusive).

For more information on ACT, please visit <http://www.act.org/products/k-12-act-test/>

Our institution code is **5286**. You may submit your ACT scores directly to the University or through ACT. The score reports must reach the NUS Office of Admissions by your application closing date, failing which your application will be deemed incomplete and withdrawn from consideration.

SAT (Previously termed Reasoning Test)

The redesigned SAT (offered from 1 March 2016) consists of 2 sections (Evidence-Based Reading and Writing, and Mathematics), while the SAT (offered up to 29 Feb 2016) consists of 3 Sections (Critical Reading, Writing and Mathematics).

The minimum acceptable test scores are 600 for Critical Reading, 600 for Writing or 600 for Evidence-Based Reading and Writing, and 650 for Mathematics.

For the SAT, all sections have to be taken in one sitting. Combination of section scores from different sittings is not accepted.

SAT Subject Tests

The SAT Subject Tests are content-based tests. 3 subject tests should be taken. The Mathematics Level 2 subject is compulsory while the two other subjects may be of your choice.

Applicants are required to submit 3 subject tests as follows:

- Mathematics Level 2 ^
- A second subject of your choice (excluding Mathematics Level 1)
- A third subject of your choice (excluding Mathematics Level 1)

For SAT Subject Tests, NUS accepts the score for 3 subjects that are taken within two sittings over 12 months. All other combinations or mixing of scores are not permitted. Please note that the previous test format (SAT I & II) and the new test format (SAT and SAT Subject Tests) cannot be combined. The validity of scores is five years, e.g. for applications closing on 1 March 2017, the validity period is from 1 March 2012 to 1 March 2017 (both dates inclusive).

The second and third subjects should be chosen based on the subject prerequisites of the courses you are applying for at NUS. For example, if you are applying for Chemical Engineering, you will need to choose Physics and Chemistry. If, however, you are applying for Business Administration, you may choose any subjects except Mathematics Level 1.

Please note that IELTS and/or TOEFL is not required if applicants wish to apply for Law or the double degree programme of Economics and Law if they are presenting SAT and SAT Subject Tests as their basis for admission.

No minimum Subject Tests scores have been stipulated.

^ Mathematics Level 2 is a compulsory subject for all courses except for Law. Applicants applying for admission to Law may take Mathematics Level 1 in lieu of Mathematics Level 2.

For more information on SAT and SAT Subjects Tests, please visit <http://sat.collegeboard.org/home>.

You may fax your scores directly to the University at **(65) 6778 7570**. Our institution code is **3720**. The score reports must reach the NUS Office of Admissions by your application closing date, failing which your application will be deemed incomplete and withdrawn from consideration.