25,000 organisations recognise Cambridge English exams

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A record-breaking 25,000 organisations accept Cambridge English exams as proof of English language ability, according to latest figures.

California State University, Long Beach in the USA has become the 25,000th organisation to officially recognise the Cambridge English exams. The university, known as The Beach, accepts <u>B2 First</u>, <u>C1 Advanced</u> and <u>C2 Proficiency</u> as part of the entrance criteria for undergraduate and graduate international students applying to study on academic programs.

The Cambridge English exams, developed by Cambridge Assessment English, measure English language ability to international standards. Key benefits of the Cambridge English exams – which are taken by more than 5.5 million people every year – include the face to face speaking test which ensures that candidates develop real life communications skills and the fact that they cover the major varieties of English, including US, Australian and British accents.

Mark Hurrell, Global Recognition Manager at Cambridge English says:

'California State University is a great example of how Cambridge English exams are fast becoming an important part of the recruitment toolkit in the higher education sector. This is part of a growing trend in the higher education sector to ensure students have the English language skills they need to study on degree courses taught in English. We're delighted to have California State University on board and look forward to working with this prestigious organisation in the future.'

Cambridge English exams are widely accepted in the higher education sector, along with business and government departments worldwide. Big names to recognise the exams include top US and Canadian institutions, all universities in Australia, New Zealand and in the UK, as well as immigration authorities across the English-speaking world. They are also used for recruitment by top international companies such as Adidas, BP, Ernst & Young, Hewlett-Packard, Johnson & Johnson and Microsoft.