The University of Mississippi

**SPEAK Score Requirement**

The University of Mississippi requires international students to present acceptable results on the Test of Spoken English (TSE) or the institutional version, SPEAK, prior to qualifying for positions of graduate instructor (Form #7 appointments). This requirement applies to all international students whose native language is not English.

The University of Mississippi SPEAK test is now administered by the Intensive English program. New students who wish to be considered for graduate instructorships should arrange for testing prior to the beginning of class sessions.

The following SPEAK score requirements were approved:

**Unconditional Approval:** 250 and above. Students achieving scores in this range are considered to have sufficient command of spoken English to serve as classroom teachers.

**Conditional Approval:** 225-249. Students achieving scores in this range may serve as classroom teachers, subject to periodic observation in the department.

**Limited Approval:** 200-224. Students achieving scores in this range are restricted to service as laboratory assistants and only in the company of another assistant has acceptable spoken English.

**Prohibited:** 199 and below.