Possible Exemptions of an English proficiency certificate for applicants to Ph.D. Programmes

Ph.D. Programme applicants with a higher education entrance qualification or who completed a secondary level degree (e.g. Bachelor or Master) in English from a country where English is an official language (see the list below), or Ph.D. applicants who completed a secondary level degree in English in Germany may be exempt from presenting a formal English language certificate.

List of countries where English is an official language*:

| A | Antigua and Barbuda
   | Anguilla
   | Australia
| B | Bahamas
   | Barbados
   | Belize
   | Bermuda
   | British Virgin Islands
| C | Cameroon
   | Canada
   | Cayman Islands
| E | Eritrea
| F | Falkland Islands
| G | Gambia
   | Ghana
   | Gibraltar
   | Grenada
   | Guyana
   | Guernsey
| H | Hong Kong
| I | India
   | Ireland
   | Isle of Man
| J | Jamaica
   | Jersey
| K | Kenya
| L | Lesotho
   | Liberia
| M | Malawi
   | Malta
   | Mauritius
   | Montserrat
| N | Namibia
   | New Zealand
   | Nigeria
   | Philippines
| P | Puerto Rico
| S | Saint Kitts and Nevis
   | Sierra Leone
   | Singapore
   | South Africa
   | South Sudan
| T | Trinidad and Tobago
   | Turks and Caicos Islands
| U | Uganda
   | United Kingdom
   | United States of America
| Z | Zambia
   | Zimbabwe

*Quelle: uni-assist (Liste der "Länder mit Englisch als Amtssprache", Stand 03/2019)
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