

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am a tax accountant in Sydney, who has been living in Australia for more than seven years and started my high school when I was 17 years old. I have submitted my application for Permanent Residence in 2008. Due to my IELTS writing component is not able to reach score 7 (always 6.5), but other components are all above score 7, I have to wait and try my IELTS again and again for prioritising my application.

Since 2008, I have been under the pressures of how to balancing my life, working, study and getting my permanent resident here. Firstly, working experience is significantly important for my future development, especially when I finished my bachelor and master degree from University of New South Wales. Because I do not have PR here, unfair competitions with local students after graduates made me suffer for being unable to find a grad-position in large companies. Eventually, I have found my current job and have been contributing to Australian residents for more than one year.

Secondly, CPA study is one of my career plans as a professional accountant. Studying CPA and IELTS become my only habits during my spare time. One is for my career, and the other one is for my residence to continue my career. I can not weight out which is more or less important in my life.

Thirdly, as an independent skill migrant, I do not have parents here to look after me. Instead, after 7 years life here, I have friends, relatives and my boy friend (who is busy and working in Sydney) here and they need to be took care of.

I believe IELTS test is not as difficult as we think it is. Those who had overall score of 7 might not mean they are advance in English. They just have more time, and a more consistence and systematic study program than me. Please stand at my position and tell me which is more important to my life. Should I give up all my jobs, my career, my social relationship for studying IELTS? I always feel confusing about what should I do at this stage and cry for helpless. Now if I have to go back to China, what is going to be happened to my boy friend, my bosses in Australia and my future career in China where I have left for 7 years and do not have any social network?

Kind Regards,

GSM Permanent Residents Applicant