

Rules Governing Language Courses, Language Examinations and Recognition of Language Certificates at the Medical University of Łódź

Erasmus+ Student Mobility for Studies and Traineeships

I. Student Mobility for Studies

1. Language courses are intended exclusively for students planning to go on a study or traineeship mobility in the following academic year. Every student who enrolls in a course is required to take the language examination. As with any examination, this does not mean that the student is required to pass it. Failure to take the examination disqualifies the candidate from participating in future Erasmus+ mobility.
2. Registration for language courses is handled by the Department of International Projects within the previously announced registration period. Registration is possible exclusively via an online form.
3. The language-course registration dates will be published on the following page:
<https://dwz.umed.pl/in-english/announcements/>
4. Registration for language examinations, both for course participants and for students who are not on the course list, is handled by CNJO (the Foreign Language Centre). Detailed registration instructions will be published together with the examination dates.
5. Students going on study mobility are required to have a B2 level in the language in which classes are taught at the host university.
6. Some Italian universities where the language of instruction is English additionally require basic knowledge of Italian. For this reason, we offer a basic Italian course (A1 level), which is the only course that does not conclude with an examination. Students wishing to go to such a university must log in to the Erasmus+ Online Language Support platform, which is publicly available, and attach a certificate confirming that they have passed the test to the Study Mobility Candidate Form during recruitment.

Online Language Support

<https://academy.europa.eu/local/euacademy/pages/course/community-overview.php?title=learn-a-new-languagey>

Priority for participation in the course will be given to students going on study mobility to Italian universities.

7. B2 level means:

A person at this level can understand the main ideas of complex texts on both concrete and abstract topics, including technical discussions in their field of specialization. They

can interact with a degree of fluency and spontaneity that makes regular interaction with native speakers possible without undue strain for either party. They can produce clear, detailed spoken or written text on a wide range of subjects and explain a point of view on a topical issue, giving the advantages and disadvantages of various options.

<https://www.coe.int/en/web/common-european-framework-reference-languages/table-1-cefr-3.3-common-reference-levels-global-scale>

8. Students may take examinations in any number of languages. For each language, they must choose one of the two available examination dates. No resit examinations will be organized. All examinations are written.

9. The language examination dates will be published on the following page:

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10. Language examination results will be available from the Department of International Projects within 7 working days. Students may appeal within 5 working days of the publication of the results. To do so, they must submit a reasoned application to the "Appeals Committee". The application must be submitted in person to the Department of International Projects.

11. All certificates and other documents confirming language proficiency are verified by CNJO. CNJO decides on the grade awarded.

Certificates that exempt students from the examination:

Language proficiency level / certificate	Grade	Notes
C2	5.5 (excellent plus)	
C1	5.0 (very good)	
B2	4.5 (good plus)	Certificate valid for 2 years
ACERT	0.5 grade higher than the grade obtained in the examination	
Diploma awarded to a finalist of the English Language Olympiad in Biomedical Sciences	5.5 (excellent plus)	

A certificate of completion of a language course at a given level does not qualify as a language certificate.

The International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma does not exempt students from the requirement to confirm their language proficiency and cannot be used as a basis for entering a grade in the documentation.

12. Students with native-speaker status are exempt from the language examination in the language of their country of origin, provided that it is an official language of that country. They automatically receive a grade of 5.0 (very good).

13. Students who have studied in English at the Medical University of Łódź for at least 3 years are exempt from the English language examination and automatically receive a grade of 5.0 (very good).

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5. For students going on traineeship mobility, the grade received in a language class taught by CNJO at the Medical University of Łódź will be recognized, provided that it is good (4.0) or higher. Other students interested in mobility will be required to take a language examination at B2 level. CNJO will enter the language-class grade in the "Traineeship Mobility Candidate Form".

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