

INFORMATION LANGUAGES

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

German

In semester 1, 3 and 5 German lessons are part of the curriculum in the BSc programme. Students who can prove that they have advanced knowledge of German (at least a level B2 of the European Language Reference Framework) can be exempt from German lessons and examinations in all semesters. Recognised foreign language certificates at levels B2, C1 and C2 are considered as proof. These must be enclosed with the application for exemption. The following diplomas are accepted:

Goethe-Zertifikat B2, C1 or C2
Telc Deutsch B2, C1 or C2

Automatically exempt are students whose mother tongue is German.

2nd foreign language

For entry to semester 6 Hospitality Management, proof of a second foreign language (in addition to German and English) at level A2 or higher of the European Language Reference Framework must be provided by means of a recognised language diploma up to 3 months before the start of the semester. According to the framework curriculum for the hotel and gastronomy industry, this certificate is a prerequisite for admission to the diploma examinations. We recognise the following certificates:

Language	Certificate	Organisation
<i>French</i>	DELFB	delfdalf.ch
	CEFP	alliancefr.org
	CFS (CCIP)	cci-paris-idf.fr
	Cert. de Français	telc.net

<i>Italian</i>	Cert. d'Italiano Clta	telc.net
	DILI	acad.it
	CELI	cvcl.it
	CILS	unistrasi.it
<i>Spanish</i>	DELE	diplomas.cervantes.es
	TELC	dele.org telc.net

Would you like to obtain proof of a language that is not listed here? Please clarify with the administration well before the 3 months deadline whether this fulfils the requirements. Subsequent submission after the start of the semester is not possible.

LANGUAGE TEST AT SHL

You have the opportunity to take a language test in German (for exemption), French, Italian or Spanish at SHL. The language test is based on the performance levels of the [CEFR \(Common European Framework of Reference for Languages\)](https://www.cerfr.eu/). Knowledge of grammar, listening and reading comprehension as well as written and oral expression are tested. If the result is at level A2 or higher, this is considered proof of a 2nd foreign language. For the exemption from the subject German level B2 or higher is necessary. You do not need to submit another language diploma.

Exam dates and registration

There are flexible dates by prior arrangement. Participants must have their own laptop with an integrated camera and suitable headphones with a microphone. Exam participants are responsible for the functionality of their devices. The costs for a maximum of two language tests per student are covered by SHL.