

UNICERT ESP_{3/4}

BASIC INFORMATION FOR AN INTENSIVE COURSE
MAJOR: BIOLOGY/CHEMISTRY/BIOCHEMISTRY/ENV. STUDIES

The course is intended for the students who scored over 80% in the entrance test.

Language Department
Faculty of Natural Sciences
Comenius University



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UNcert/Biology/Biochemistry/Chemistry/Slováková/Kordíková

What is UNiCert?

More than 60 language centres inside and outside Germany are active members of the UNiCert® network

UNiCert®
ACADEMIC LANGUAGE SKILLS


FOR STUDYING AND WORKING IN AN INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENT

- relevant, higher-education level syllabi which encompass inter-cultural and socio-cultural aspects of language
- task-based approach to teaching, learning, testing
- five language levels ensure steady, albeit rapid progress
- assessment content tailored to language courses
- **over 125,000 certificates issued**
- **decentralised system**
- **quality standards as set by policy documents (Framework, Code of Practice) ensured**
- **regular audits at member institutions to maintain quality**
- **institutions supported through executive committee**
- **endorsement of regular networking amongst members**

more than 25 languages

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by ALC - the German Association of Language Centres in Higher Education



- The **UNiCert** is an **international system of certification and accreditation** for various languages learnt in a **university** context.
- The main goal of UNiCert is to support language education for universities and to provide an accepted certificate that proves language knowledge outside universities.
- The system was set up in **1992** by the **German Association of Language Centres**, Language Teaching Institutes and Institutes of Foreign Languages.
- The **UNiCert certificate** does not have an expiry date.

PROGRAM JAZYKOVEJ VÝUČBY UNICERT®

- **UNICert** je medzinárodný vzdelávací a testovací program, ktorý bol vytvorený roku **1992** nemeckou asociáciou jazykových centier a vysokých škôl. Je to zároveň jediný akademický jazykový vzdelávací program v strednej Európe, ktorý
- * poskytuje vysoký štandard **profesionálne a akademicky orientovanej odbornej jazykovej prípravy**,
- * umožňuje získať certifikát o znalosti jazyka na vyššej strednej alebo pokročilej úrovni (**B2 alebo C1** podľa Spoločného Európskeho referenčného rámca pre jazyky),
- * podporuje **mobilitu** študentov (štúdium na zahraničnej univerzite) a
- * osvedčuje znalosť cudzieho jazyka v študovanom odbore pre **budúcich zamestnávateľov**.
- Doteraz bolo udelených viac ako **125 000 certifikátov**, z toho takmer polovica z anglického jazyka.
- Katedra jazykov PriF UK v Bratislave získala akreditáciu pre výučbu dvoch jazykových programov: anglický a nemecký odborný jazyk pre študentov prírodných vied na úrovni **B2 (nemecký jazyk) a C1 (anglický jazyk)**. Akreditáciu katedre udelil Inštitút pre akreditáciu jazykových programov a skúšok na univerzitách v strednej Európe (**UNICert® LUCE**).
- Na našej fakulte sa podarilo do LS 2019 certifikát získať 447 študentom anglického a nemeckého jazyka
- Absolvovanie prípravného kurzu UNICert je zároveň prípravou na medzinárodné certifikáty: the International English Language Testing System (**IELTS**), Test Of English as Foreign Language (**TOEFL**), First Certificate in English (**FCE**).
- **Platnosť certifikátu je bez časového obmedzenia.**

LEVELS

The levels correspond to levels of the **CEFR**

UNlcert I (*European Level B1*) - basic knowledge of the language

UNlcert II (*European Level B2*) - extended (field of study specific) knowledge of the language (for studying in a foreign country)

UNlcert III (*European Level C1*) - extended (field of study specific) knowledge of the language for postgraduate (for example doctorate) studies in a foreign country

UNlcert IV (*European Level C2*) - (field of study specific) knowledge on the level of an academic native speaker

B1	B2	C1	C2
Cambridge English Preliminary (PET)	Cambridge English First (FCE)	Cambridge English Advanced (CAE)	Cambridge English Proficiency (CPE)
BEC Prelim	BEC Vantage	BEC Higher	IELTS 8.5-9
IELTS 4-4.5	IELTS 5-6.5	IELTS 7-8	Michigan ECPE
TOEFL iBT 57-86	TOEFL iBT 87-109	TOEFL iBT 110-120	PTE General Level 5



CEFR

Common European Framework
of Reference for Languages

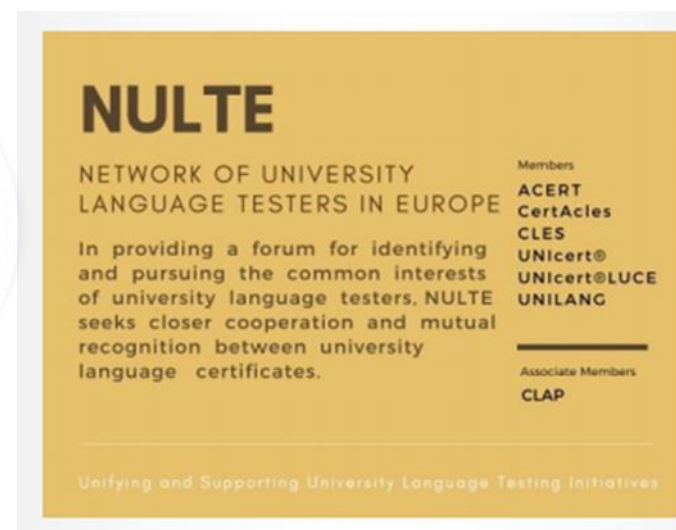
www.coe.int/lang-CEFR

Systém UNlcert® rešpektuje kategorizáciu úrovní komunikačnej spôsobilosti podľa *Spoločného európskeho referenčného rámca pre jazyky* ako základného dokumentu. Úrovni B1 zodpovedá úroveň UNlcert® I, úrovni B2 úroveň UNlcert® II, úrovni C1 úroveň UNlcert® III a úrovni C2 úroveň UNlcert® IV. Začiatocnícka úroveň A nie je síce dostatočujúcou úrovňou jazykových vedomostí na štúdium alebo prácu, ktoré vyžadujú používanie cudzieho jazyka, ale predstavuje východisko pre ďalší rozvoj a nazýva sa UNlcert® Basic.



NULTE

In **2018** MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION between ACERT (**Poland**), CertAcles (**Spain**), CLES (**France**), UNIcert® (**Germany**), UNIcert®LUCE (**SK/CZ**), UNILANG (**United Kingdom and Ireland**) was signed at XV Cercles Conference in Poznań.



Network of University Language Testers in Europe (NULTE)

Supporting university language testing initiatives and enhancing the quality of teaching, testing and learning modern language skills in Higher Education.

NULTE, short for *Network of University Language Testers in Europe*, works under the umbrella of CercleS and, at present, consists of six systems of certification from different countries: **Acert** (Poland), **CertAcles**® (Spain), **CLES** (France), **UNILANG** (United Kingdom and Ireland), **UNIcert**® (Germany and beyond) and **UNIcert**®LUCE (Slovakia and Czech Republic).

In providing a forum for identifying and pursuing the common interests of university language testers, the Network of University Language Testers in Europe seeks closer cooperation and mutual recognition between university language certificates.

Accreditation



UNICERT[®] LUCE

(Language Accreditation Unit for Universities in Central Europe)

Member of NULTE

(Network of University Language Testers in Europe)

Mission:
The UNICERT[®] LUCE represents a collective body consisting of universities and university bodies in the Czech and Slovak Republics striving to enhance the quality and transparency of higher education language programmes and examinations in the region and beyond.

Vision:
The objective of the UNICERT[®] LUCE's activities is to become a hub of theoretical and practical knowledge generated by language teaching professors, examiners, language designers, language programme deliverers and other stakeholders operating in higher education.

UNICERT[®] LUCE:

- accredits and re-accredits language programmes and examinations of the interested higher education institutions within the Czech and Slovak Republics in the UNICERT[®] scheme;
- provides individual and collective consultations and advice to the institutions of the Czech and Slovak Republics interested in accrediting their language programmes and examinations in the UNICERT[®] scheme;
- publishes documents helping higher education institutions to shape their language programmes and examinations according to the principles of the UNICERT[®] scheme;
- organises workshops and seminars for language teaching staff, examiners, language programme designers and other stakeholders of the interested higher education institutions;
- promotes UNICERT[®] scheme at conferences, seminars, workshops, and other professional events;
- collects information, practical experiences and suggestions from the member institutions and individuals to enhance the UNICERT[®] scheme;
- records and reports on the scheme members' activities within the UNICERT[®] LUCE capacity.

P poslanie:
UNICERT[®] LUCE (Inštitút pre akreditáciu jazykovej výučby na univerzitách v strednej Európe) je kolektívny orgán, zoskupujúci z vysokých škôl a ich učiteľov v Českej a Slovenskej republike, ktorých cieľom je v regióne i za jeho hranicami posilniť kvalitu a transparentnosť vysokoškolskej jazykovej výučby a príslušných skútok.

Vízie:
Cieľom aktív UNICERT[®] LUCE je stať sa centrom teoretických aj praktických vedomostí a skúseností učiteľov jazykov, tvorcov jazykov, zostavovateľov jazykových študijných programov, poskytovateľov jazykovej výučby a iných významných aktívov, ktorí pracujú vo vysokoškolskej oblasti.

UNICERT[®] LUCE:

- akredituje a reakredituje jazykové programy a skútky v systéme UNICERT[®] záujemcom z radov vysokých škôl v Českej a Slovenskej republike;
- poskytuje individuálne a kolektívne konzultácie a poradenstvo inštitúciám v Českej a Slovenskej republike, ktoré majú záujem o akreditáciu svojich jazykových programov a skútok v systéme UNICERT[®];
- vydáva publikácie, ktoré pomáhajú vysokým školám zostaviť programy jazykovej výučby a skútok podľa princípov systému UNICERT[®];
- organizuje semináre a workshopy pre učiteľov jazykov, tvorcov, zostavovateľov jazykových programov a ďalších významných aktívov vysokých škôl, ktorí sa zúčastňujú o systéme UNICERT[®];
- propaguje systém UNICERT[®] na konferenciách, seminároch, workshopoch a iných odborných podujatiach;
- zberá informácie, praktické skúsenosti a návrhy od členov inštitúcií a jednotlivcov s cieľom nepretržite zdokonaľovať systém UNICERT[®], zaznamenáva a vyhlasuje údaje o akreditácii členov inštitúcií v rámci členov UNICERT[®] LUCE.

UNICERT[®] LUCE

Porovnanie vývoja počtu univerzít a pracovníkov (2003 - 2017)

1 The overview of the institutions with the accredited programmes and examinations in the UNICERT[®] scheme in the past 15 years (Práhľad akreditovaných jazykových programov a skútok v systéme UNICERT[®] za uplynulých 15 rokov)

Akreditácia jazykových programov (podľa rokov)

2 The overview of the accredited language programmes and examinations in the UNICERT[®] scheme in the past 15 years (Práhľad akreditovaných jazykových programov a skútok v systéme UNICERT[®] za uplynulých 15 rokov)

Certifikáty podľa jazykov (2005 - 2017)

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CERTIFICATE

Certificate registration No. 483 /2018_E III issued by

The Language Department
of the Faculty of Natural Sciences Comenius University in Bratislava

accredited as UNICERT® - Level III

This is to certify that

[Redacted Name]

born on [Redacted Date]

registered as a Biology student completed the appropriate foreign language programme and
successfully passed the examination for the

UNICERT® LANGUAGE CERTIFICATE IN ENGLISH FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES

Overall Grade: Very Good (86%)

Grades for the individual sections

written section	grade	oral section	grade
- reading	93% excellent	- speaking	80% good
- listening	96% excellent		
- writing	75% good		

Bratislava, 13 June 2019

PhDr. [Redacted Name] Ph.D.
(Chairperson of the Examination Board)

RNDr. [Redacted Name] Ph.D.
(Chairperson of the Examination Committee)

Range of assessment:

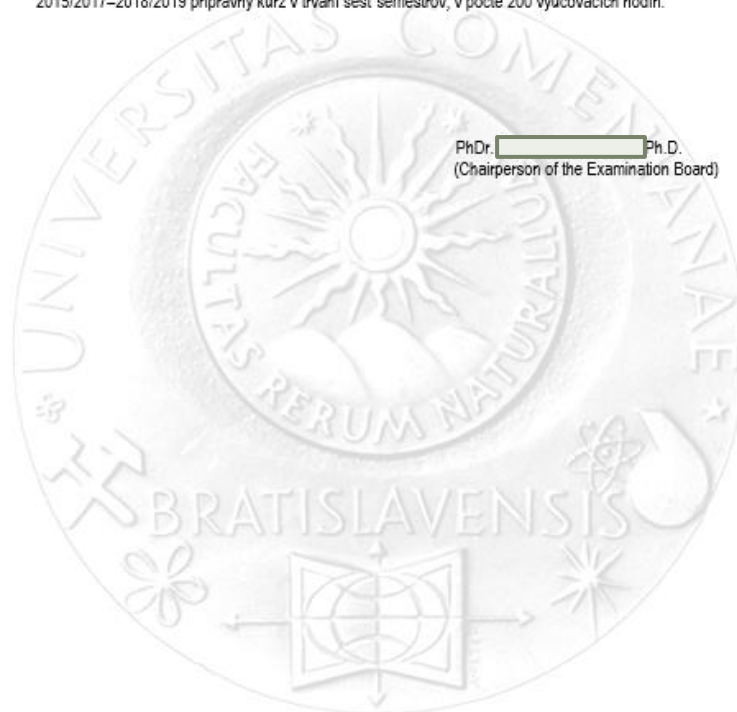
100 – 90 %	excellent	an outstanding performance;
89 – 81 %	very good	a well above average performance;
80 – 73 %	good	an above average performance;
72 – 66 %	satisfactory	an average performance;
65 – 60 %	pass	a performance which despite inadequacies can still be considered as meeting the required.



This is to confirm that the holder of this Certificate at C1 level participated in a six semester preparatory course in the academic years 2016/2017–2018/2019 in the amount of 200 hours.

Potvrďujeme týmto, že držiteľ/ka tohto certifikátu na úrovni C1 absolvoval/a v školských rokoch 2015/2017–2018/2019 prípravný kurz v trvaní šesť semestrov, v počte 200 vyučovacích hodín.

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Basic Information

Instructions for a one-year course:

- Two semesters in the 3rd year of BSc studies → **enroll on ESP₃ and ESP₄ courses**
- This is an intensive course that is completed within a year. A regular UNlcert course usually takes 4 semesters during which students earn credits for four subjects (ESP_{3/4}, EAP_{1/2}, UNlcert_{1/2}). In order to earn credits for your extra work during the intensive course, you can **add UNlcert 1 and UNlcert 2 courses** to your AIS platform in the 1st year of MSc studies to have the credits awarded.

Winter Semester ESP₃

- 1) De-extinction I Moodle TS (1st meeting)
- 2) De-extinction 2 Moodle TS
- 3) Face-to-face meeting TS
- 4) Jane Goodall Moodle TS
- 5) Face-to-face meeting TS
- 6) ICC – videos + presentation Moodle TS
- 7) Face-to-face meeting TS
- 8) Chemistry of Perfumes Moodle BK
- 9) Face-to-face meeting BK
- 10) DNA I – Rosalind Franklin, Confusing words Moodle BK
- 11) Face-to-face meeting BK

Optional topics: *(students choose at least one topic they have not done yet)*

- 1) Telomerase Moodle TS
- 2) Flu, Spanish Flu Moodle TS
- 3) Alcohol Moodle BK
- 4) CRISPR Cas9 / Jennifer Doudna TS

Summer Semester ESP₄

- 1) Articles/Countable/Uncountable/Number/Numbers/Figures
- 2) Articles/Countable/Uncountable/Number/Numbers/Figures
- 3) Articles/Countable/Uncountable/Number/Numbers/Figures
- 4) Reading and Listening Practice/discussion
- 5) Reading and Listening Practice/discussion
- 6) Academic Article Analysis *(Tenses/Hedging/hyphen/dash/foreign plural)*
- 7) Presentations – rehearsal/Moodle: Graphs
- 8) Presentations – rehearsal
- 9) Abstract
- 10) Paraphrasing

The topics may be subject to change.

Requirements

*Attendance (one absence allowed)
May be subject to change.*

Winter Semester ESP₃

- Assignments in the Moodle course
- Face-to-face meetings
- Oral exam

Summer Semester ESP₄

- Assignments in the Moodle course
- Face-to-face/online meetings
- Presentation rehearsal

Final Exam

Certificate Evaluation

- 1) Reading: continuous assessment tests + 3 final exam tests
- 2) Listening: continuous assessment tests + 3 final exam tests
- 3) Speaking: Oral Exam 40% (taken in the winter semester) + Presentation + Discussion 60%
- 4) Writing: Abstract 40% + Summary 60% (all written during the ESP4 course)

Reading and Listening

IELTS tests

- IELTS
- Study materials on the **IELTS Liz** website (the link can be found on Moodle)
- Continuous Assessment

FINAL EVALUATION FOR THE C1 UNlcert CERTIFICATE

Reading

- reading tests (Continuous Assessment)
- 3 final reading comprehension tests

Listening

- listening tests (Continuous Assessment)
- 3 final listening comprehension tests

Oral Communication

- one oral examination (WT, a weight of 40%)
- final presentation (ST, a weight of 60%)

Evaluation of part **WRITING** for the certificate:

Abstract

- a weight of **40%**

Summary

- a weight of **60%**

Final Presentation Summary

- Should be submitted at least a week before the final presentation

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