

Dear Student,

Structure of the placement test for English (language level C1)

Organization and duration of the test: 3 parts for a total of 210 minutes

- a. Listening comprehension – an audio text of approx. 5 minutes that is based on business and economics will be played twice. Students will have to answer seven questions to this text in their own words. Total points for this section: 90.
- b. Reading comprehension – students will have a reading text of approx. 1.020 words, and they will have to answer 7 questions based on the text in their own words. The theme of the text will be related to business and economics, and the text will include specialized language for business studies. Total points for this section: 85
- c. Writing skills – students will choose **one** of four topics related to business and economics, and they will write a formal, argumentative essay of 400-500 words. The essay will be graded according to its content and language, as well as its organization, style and register.

There will be no oral exam.

There is a total of 275 maximum points for the test. In order to pass the test, at least 60% of the total point score must be achieved. A lesser percentage of points will result in not passing the test.

The test will be corrected shortly thereafter in the following days. Results will promptly be made known and shared with the matriculation office.

Preparation for the test

Reading English language magazines, journals or newspapers, especially the business and economics sections, can be useful when preparing for the reading comprehension section. Possible sources of the test are, for example, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Economist*, *The New York Times*, and *The Guardian*.

Listening to broadcasts in the English language could help prepare for the listening comprehension section. Practicing with broadcasts about business and economics from the BBC or NPR could be especially helpful.

It is recommended for the writing section of the test to review the conventions of formal and structured academic writing, as well as the fundamentals of building and defending an academic argument based on various themes related to business and economics.