

Hallo! – ¡Hola! – Buongiorno! – Bonjour!

Foreign languages are an integral part of the education at the Business School. For this reason, you have to choose one of the four foreign languages offered **right at the beginning of your studies** and take a total of four courses in the language of your choice. These courses build on each other with increasing proficiency levels (*), so you can only take one per semester.

(* Level : A2 [prerequisite for participation in the entry course] → B2.2 [target level of the 4th and last course]. More information on these levels can be found [here](#).

!/\ Important note!

Please note that in some languages each course is only offered every two semesters; in that case, it is only possible to join the language training programme in the winter semester. For this reason, we **strongly** recommend that you start your language training **in the first winter semester** and, if possible, complete it in the first four semesters of your degree programme.

We also **strongly** recommend you...

a) ... **to take part in the info event dedicated specifically to languages**, which will take place on 12 September at 5pm [online](#) (Meeting-ID: 983 8656 4226 - Passwort: 112992)

b) ... **to make an appointment** (if necessary via ZOOM if you have not yet arrived in Austria) **in September** for a consultation with the teacher of the first course of the language curriculum ("Communicative Skills" / cf. below) to ensure that your level in the chosen language corresponds to that of the course. (**)

Should you turn out not to have a sufficient level yet, you can take the courses called GRUNDKURS (target level A1.2/beginners) and/or MITTELSTUFE (level A2.2) before starting the official language curriculum. Ask the teachers or the Center for Business Languages and Intercultural Communication (fachsprachen@jku.at / Managementzentrum, 1st floor) for more information.

c) ... **to get information in advance** about the possibility of receiving credit for language courses during your compulsory semester abroad!

You can choose from a total of four languages:

Language	Contact	Language	Contact
French	stephane.gragnic@jku.at	Spanish	ramon.costa-luza@jku.at barbara.niedersuess@jku.at (*)
Italian	elena.gaioni@jku.at (*) elena.spinazze@jku.at	German as a foreign language	kathlen.exner@jku.at

(*) Teacher to contact before the first lesson of the curriculum

(**) Spanish : Test on Monday 30 September, 1.45pm

In all four languages, the curriculum consists of the following courses, each lasting two hours per week per semester:

Course Name	Target Level	Lesson Times	Assessment Criteria (**)	Recommended Enrolment
A. Communicative Skills (3 ECTS)	B1.1 (*)	Mon, 13.45 – 15.15 (Fr., It. → only winter term!)	2 intermediate tests (approx. 30-40 min., 20 and 25 points respectively)	1st term
B. Business 1 (3 ECTS)	B1.2	Mon, 13.45 – 15.15 (Fr., It. → only summer term!)	1 final test (90 min., 40 points, grade must be positive)	2nd term
C. Business 2 (3 ECTS)	B2.1	Tue, 10.15 – 11.45 (Fr., It. → only winter term!)	1 oral examination (approx. 10-15 minutes, 15 points)	3rd / 4th term (before or after the semester abroad)
D. Business & Culture (3 ECTS)	B2.2	Tue, 10.15 – 11.45 (Fr., It. → only summer term!)	The course is considered positively completed if you have attended at least 80% of the courses (no exceptions!) and achieved at least 55 points out of a total of 100.	4th / 5th term (before or after the semester abroad)

(*) Prerequisite for participation in the course: Level A2!

(**) Deviations possible, in particular in the Business & Culture course.

You can find a more detailed description of the course content at : <https://studienhandbuch.jku.at/curr/951> (→ section "Languages")

For further information, please do not hesitate to contact the lecturers or the office of the Center for Business Languages and Intercultural Communication (fachsprachen@jku.at / Managementzentrum, 1st floor).