

ECTS GRADING TABLE 2025

Distribution of final grades in study programmes leading to the second academic degree (Master)

In order to achieve better comparability between various grading systems, the Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin follows the European Union regulations providing relative grades in the form of grade distribution tables^a. For that reason, the HU Berlin uses a reference group selection based on the International Standard Classification of Education (ISCED)^b. The data for ECTS grading tables are generated annually. The reference period includes three previous calendar years at the time of data collection respectively. The ECTS grading table below shows the statistical distribution of final grades, the total number of passed final examinations in the period considered, and the average of the recorded final grades. Description of final grades is made according to para. 114 of the General Study and Examination Regulations of the Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin (ZSP-HU) of 30 April 2013 in the currently valid version. This document is valid for those graduates who obtained their Master's degree in 2025.

ISCED Code	ISCED field	Final grades				Total of final examinations	Average final grade
		1,0 - 1,5 very good	1,6 - 2,5 good	2,6 - 3,5 satisfactory	3,6 - 4,0 sufficient		
		Number of final examinations absolute (percentual) cumulative frequency					
0111	Education science ¹	37 (54 %) 54 %	30 (43 %) 97 %	2 (3 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	69	1,5
0114	Teacher training with subject specialisation ²	279 (31 %) 31 %	595 (66 %) 97 %	29 (3 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	903	1,8
0119	Education not elsewhere classified ³	40 (55 %) 55 %	32 (44 %) 99 %	1 (1 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	73	1,6
0210	Arts not further defined ⁴	121 (54 %) 54 %	101 (45 %) 99 %	3 (1 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	225	1,5
0221	Religion and theology ⁵	58 (54 %) 54 %	45 (42 %) 95 %	5 (5 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	108	1,6
0222	History and archaeology ⁶	159 (73 %) 73 %	57 (26 %) 99 %	2 (1 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	218	1,4
0223	Philosophy and ethics ⁷	61 (67 %) 67 %	29 (32 %) 99 %	1 (1 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	91	1,4
0231	Language acquisition ⁸	101 (48 %) 48 %	101 (48 %) 97 %	7 (3 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	209	1,6
0232	Literature and linguistics ⁹	107 (60 %) 60 %	61 (34 %) 94 %	11 (6 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	179	1,6
0310	Social and behavioural sciences not further defined ¹⁰	154 (66 %) 66 %	80 (34 %) 100 %	1 (0 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	235	1,4
0311	Economics ¹¹	43 (38 %) 38 %	62 (55 %) 94 %	7 (6 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	112	1,7
0312	Political sciences and civics ¹²	42 (61 %) 61 %	26 (38 %) 99 %	1 (1 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	69	1,5
0313	Psychology ¹³	252 (67 %) 67 %	119 (32 %) 99 %	4 (1 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	375	1,4
0314	Sociology and cultural studies ¹⁴	302 (60 %) 60 %	192 (38 %) 97 %	13 (3 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	507	1,5

^a See Common structural guidelines of the Länder for the accreditation of Bachelor's and Master's study courses (Resolution of the Standing Conference of the Ministers of Education and Cultural Affairs of the Länder in the Federal Republic of Germany of 10 October 2003 as amended on 4 February 2010).

^b International Standard Classification of Education – Fields of education and training 2013 (ISCED-F 2013) – Detailed field descriptions. UNESCO Institute for Statistics, 2015.

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		Number of final examinations absolute (percentual) cumulative frequency					
0322	Library, information and archival studies ¹⁵	69 (31 %) 31 %	139 (63 %) 94 %	14 (6 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	222	1,8
0410	Business and administration not further defined ¹⁶	91 (35 %) 35 %	145 (56 %) 91 %	23 (9 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	259	1,8
0511	Biology ¹⁷	93 (44 %) 44 %	106 (51 %) 95 %	10 (5 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	209	1,7
0531	Chemistry ¹⁸	43 (56 %) 56 %	34 (44 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	77	1,5
0532	Earth sciences ¹⁹	65 (44 %) 44 %	78 (53 %) 97 %	4 (3 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	147	1,7
0533	Physics ²⁰	103 (67 %) 67 %	48 (31 %) 98 %	3 (2 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	154	1,5
0541	Mathematics ²¹	59 (67 %) 67 %	23 (26 %) 93 %	6 (7 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	88	1,4
0542	Statistics ²²	29 (34 %) 34 %	51 (60 %) 94 %	5 (6 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	85	1,8
0610	Information and Communication Technologies not further defined ²³	73 (41 %) 41 %	101 (56 %) 97 %	6 (3 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	180	1,7
0800	Agriculture, forestry, fisheries and veterinary ²⁴	162 (46 %) 46 %	188 (53 %) 98 %	6 (2 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	356	1,6
1014	Sports ^{25 (*)}	4 (10 %) 10 %	35 (83 %) 93 %	3 (7 %) 100 %	0 (0 %) 100 %	42	1,9

CORRESPONDING FIELDS OF STUDY

¹ Educational Sciences (M.A.)

² Adult Continuing Education/Lifelong Learning (M.A.), Agrarwirtschaft (M.Ed.(BS)), Biology (M.Ed.(GYM)), Business Education (Economics and Administration) (M.Ed.(BS)), English (M.Ed.(GYM)), French Studies (M.Ed.(GYM)), General Studies in Primary Education with a Focus Natural Sciences (M.Ed.(GS)), General Studies in Primary Education with a Focus Natural Sciences (M.Ed.(QGS)), General Studies in Primary Education with a Focus Social Sciences (M.Ed.(GS)), General Studies in Primary Education with a Focus Social Sciences (M.Ed.(QGS)), Geography (M.Ed.(GYM)), German Studies (M.Ed.(GS)), German Studies (M.Ed.(GYM)), German Studies (M.Ed.(ISS)), German Studies (M.Ed.(QGS)), History (M.Ed.(GYM)), Italian Studies (M.Ed.(GYM)), Latin Studies (M.Ed.(GYM)), Mathematics (M.Ed.(2)), Mathematics (M.Ed.(GS)), Mathematics (M.Ed.(GYM)), Mathematics (M.Ed.(QGS)), Philosophy/Ethics (M.Ed.(GYM)), Physics (M.Ed.(GYM)), Spanish Studies (M.Ed.(GYM)), Special Education (M.Ed.(GS)), Special Education (M.Ed.(GYM)), Special Education (M.Ed.(ISS)), Special Education with a focus on Sign Language Pedagogy/Hearing and Communication (M.Ed.(GYM)), Special Education with a focus on Sign Language Pedagogy/Hearing and Communication (M.Ed.(ISS)), Sports (M.Ed.(GS)), Sports (M.Ed.(GYM))

³ Rehabilitation Pedagogics (M.A.)

⁴ Art and Visual History (M.A.), Media Sciences (M.A.), Musicology (M.A.)

⁵ Religion and Culture (M.A.)

⁶ Classical Archaeology (M.A.), European History (M.A.), Global History (M.A.), History (M.A.), Modern European History (M.A.), Northeast African Archaeology and Cultural Studies (M.A.)

⁷ Philosophy (M.A.)

⁸ American Studies (M.A.), Central and Eastern European Cultures and Literatures (M.A.), Classical Philology (M.A.), English Literatures (M.A.), Euromaster French and French Speaking Studies (Master Européen en Études Françaises et Francophones) (M.A.), Romance cultures (M.A.), Scandinavian Studies (M.A.), Sign language interpreting (M.A.), Slavic languages (M.A.)

⁹ European Literatures (M.A.), German as a Foreign Language (M.A.), German Literature (M.A.), Historical Linguistics (M.A.), Linguistics (M.A.)

¹⁰ Research Training Program in Social Sciences (M.A.), Science research (M.A.), Social Sciences (M.A.)

¹¹ Economics (M.Sc.)

¹² German-Turkish Masters Program in Social Sciences (M.A.), International Affairs (M.A.), Social Sciences (Trans-Atlantic Masters) (M.A.)

¹³ Counselling & counselling science - systemic coaching, mediation, moderation, human-centred design (M.Sc.), Mind and Brain - Track Brain (M.Sc.), Mind and Brain - Track Mind (M.A.), Psychologie: Schwerpunkt Klinische Psychologie und Psychotherapie (M.Sc.),

Psychology (M.Sc.)

¹⁴ African Studies (M.A.), British Studies (M.A.), Central Asian Studies (M.A.), Cultural Studies (M.A.), Ethnography: Theory - Practice - Critique (M.A.), European Ethnology (M.A.), Gender Studies (M.A.), Global Studies Programme (M.A.), Modern South and South East Asian Studies (M.A.), Open Design (M.A.), Psychoanalytic Cultural History and Theory (M.A.)

¹⁵ Information Science (M.A.), Library and information science for trainee librarians and volunteers (M.A.(LIS)), Library and Information Science (M.A.(LIS))

¹⁶ Business Administration (M.Sc.), Economics and Management Sciences (M.Sc.)

¹⁷ Biophysics (M.Sc.), Organismal Biology, Biodiversity and Evolution (M.Sc.), Quantitative Molecular Biology (M.Sc.)

¹⁸ Chemistry (M.Sc.)

¹⁹ Global Change Geography (M.Sc.), Physische Geographie von Mensch-Umwelt-Systemen (M.Sc.), Urban Geography - Human Geography (M.A.)

²⁰ Optical Sciences (M.Sc.), Physics (M.Sc.), Polymer Science (M.Sc.)

²¹ Mathematics (M.Sc.)

²² Statistics (M.Sc.)

²³ Computer Science (M.Sc.), Information Systems (M.Sc.)

²⁴ Agricultural Economics (M.Sc.), Fish Biology, Fisheries and Aquaculture (M.Sc.), Horticultural Sciences (M.Sc.), Integrated Natural Resource Management (M.Sc.), Process and Quality Management in Agriculture and Horticulture (M.Sc.), Rural Development (M.Sc.)

²⁵ Sports Sciences (M.A.)

(*) The reference groups marked by an asterisk include less than 50 final grades in the defined reference period of three calendar years. For those cases, comparability is not fully ensured. A separate ECTS grading table with an extended reference period can be issued on request.