

Information on grade conversion after periods abroad

Foreign grades are converted to the Austrian grading system. There is no coherent grading system or uniformly regulated grade conversion either at the international level or within the European Union.

There are conversion tables for finding the equivalent grade, which can be found on the websites of various universities. These conversion tables have the status of recommendations. The range from the lowest pass grade and the highest grade in the foreign grading system had to be evenly distributed over the four Austrian marks Very Good to Sufficient.

The calculation can also be made using the Bavarian **formula**:

$$N_{\ddot{O}} = 1 + 3 \cdot \frac{N_{\max} - N_A}{N_{\max} - N_{\min}}$$

with the values

$N_{\ddot{O}}$ = desired Austrian grade

N_{\max} = highest grade in foreign grading system

N_{\min} = lowest pass grade in foreign grading system

N_A = foreign grade to be converted to the Austrian grading system

Example: The Italian grading system ranges from 0 to 30; the pass range starts at 18. The range between 18 and 30 is to be divided between the grades Sufficient to Very Good (18 to 21 Pass, > 21 to 24 Satisfactory, > 24 to 27 Good, > 27 Very Good). The Italian grade 25 (Very Good) can thus be converted to the Austrian grade Good, in spite of its verbal designation Very Good, which is commonly used in Italy. The verbal designations Excellent and Cum Laude are also used in Italy.

The grades are converted by the Erasmus subject coordinators and entered on the form. The decision is made by the **Dean of Studies**.

If study regulations (e.g. international study curricula) stipulate special rules for the assessment or conversion of grades, these are to be applied as a priority.

If an expected conversion result does not correspond to the evaluation you anticipated, you have the option to apply for the conversion of a positive evaluation "**Participated successfully**". The request can be made separately for each grade by entering the assessment "Participated successfully" (abbreviation "E") in the Erasmus form. This option has no legal standing.

Courses that are assessed "Participated successfully" do serve as proof of academic success for the family allowance and study grant. However, they are **not taken into account** in **merit-based scholarship** awards (§ 60 StudFG).