

Course Requirements for Conversation Courses

The examination format for conversation courses at the levels A2, B1+, B2 and C1 is an oral assessment and takes the form of a final discussion (between course participants). The assessment focuses on oral language skills and comprehension within the context of verbal interactions.

A prerequisite for obtaining a course certificate for the levels B1+, B2 and C1 requires that participants hold a mini-presentation, in addition to participation in the final discussion (final exam). The purpose of the presentation is for participants to receive formative feedback about their performance (feedback is at the core of the Language Centre's broader assessment culture). The presentation grade provides an opportunity for the instructor to give individual feedback concerning performance in specific skill areas. Participants will receive a grade, but this is used for formative purposes and is not included in the final assessment grade. The presentation is based on a (written) text, which will be presented orally. Verbal mediation is assessed during the presentation.

The A2-level does not require a mini-presentation.