



# ECTS INFORMATION FOR ERASMUS AND INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE STUDENTS

## **MSc in Management 2019-2020**

# The ECTS System

## What is ECTS ?

ECTS, the **European Community Course Credit Transfer System**, was developed by the Commission of the European Communities in order to provide common procedures to guarantee academic recognition of studies abroad. It provides a way of measuring and comparing learning achievements, and transferring them from one institution to another.

The ECTS system is based on the principle of mutual trust and confidence between the participating higher education institutions. The few rules of ECTS, concerning Information (on courses available), Agreement (between the home and host institutions) and the Use of Credit Points (to indicate student workload) are set out to reinforce this mutual trust and confidence. Each ECTS department will describe the courses it offers not only in terms of content but also adding credits to each course.

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## ECTS Benefits

- create an openness at the course level by giving detailed information on the lessons and their relative importance towards the completion of a degree ;
- allow access to regular classes just like for students of the host country, as well as an active participation in the university life of the institution ;
- Preserve the autonomy and responsibility of the higher education institutions for all decisions relevant to the students' results, without modifying the existing teaching structures nor the evaluation methods: the ECTS students attend the same classes and are subject to the same evaluations as the students regularly attending the host institution.

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## ECTS credits

- ECTS credits are a value allocated to course units to describe the students workload required to complete them. They reflect the quantity of work each course requires in relation to the total quantity of work required to complete a full year of academic study at the institution, that is, lectures, practical work, seminars, private work in the library or at home and examinations or other assessment activities.
- In ECTS, **60 credits** represent the workload of a year of study; normally **27,5 up to 30 credits** are given for a semester.
- Practical work placements and optional courses which form an integral part of the course of study also receive academic credit. Credits are awarded only when the course has been completed and all required examinations have been successfully passed.

# NUMBER OF ECTS PER COURSE

## Number of ECTS credits allocated to the MSc in Management programme

A course of the Graduate Management Programme represents:

- 2,5 ECTS credits if it corresponds to 12 teaching/contact hours,
- 5 ECTS credits if it corresponds to 24 teaching/contact hours,

No ECTS credits are allocated to language and sport courses.

# Grading system

- MSc in Management grading system is based on a 20 point scale and follows a grading curve.
- In general the professors use the following grid :

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| 18       | exceptional   |
| 15/16/17 | excellent   |
| 14       | very good work, above average                                 |
| 11/12/13 | fair work, average  |
| 10       | passing note, minimum grade for getting credit for the course |
| 8/9      | well below average  |
| 5/6/7    | very unsatisfactory   |
| 1 to 4   | of hardly any value   |

Any class for which a student fails to obtain at least a score of 10 will not be credited.

# Corresponding grading system for MSc in Management / ECTS

| <b>ESC Mark</b> | <b>ECTS Mark</b> | <b>Definition</b>   |
|-----------------|------------------|---------------------|
| 15 to 20        | A                | <b>EXCELLENT</b>    |
| 14              | B                | <b>VERY GOOD</b>    |
| 12 to 13        | C                | <b>GOOD</b>         |
| 11              | D                | <b>SATISFACTORY</b> |
| 10              | E                | <b>SUFFICIENT</b>   |
| 8 to 9          | FX               | <b>FAIL</b>         |
| 1 to 7          | F                | <b>FAIL</b>         |