

How to convert your original study units into ECTS credits?

LUT University converts the original study units into ECTS credits according to the following conversion factors. You can use them **to estimate the ECTS equivalent of your studies**.

Conversion factors for ECTS credits

Studies on a Bachelor's level

1. Divide 180 ECTS credits (= the cumulative total of ECTS credits for a LUT Bachelor's degree) by the cumulative total of original study units (credits, credit hours, etc.) you have completed for the Bachelor's degree that you are applying with.

- If you apply with an unfinished Bachelor's degree, use the cumulative total of original study units to be completed to graduate.
2. As a result, you will **get a factor** to convert the required studies into ECTS credits.
3. **Multiply** the original number of study units for each related course by this factor.
4. Now you have the result in ECTS credits.

Studies on a Master's level

1. **Multiply** the original number of study units for each related course **by 1.5**, which is a **fixed factor** for Master's studies.

2. Now you have the result in ECTS credits.

- This formula applies to Master level studies that are **not included in your Bachelor's degree that you are applying with**. Calculate the conversion according to "Studies on a Bachelor's level", if
 - your Bachelor's degree is a combination of 2-year Bachelor + 2-year Master that together corresponds to a Bachelor's degree (16 years of education), or

- you have completed your Master's degree without a separate Bachelor's degree awarded (before the two-tier degree).

Case examples

1. Bachelor's studies

The cumulative total of study units completed for your Bachelor's degree is 160 credit hours and you need to convert a course with 2 credit hours to ECTS credits.

- **Divide** 180 by 160 credit hours = the conversion factor is 1.125
- **Multiply** 2 credit hours by 1.125 = 2.25 ECTS credits

2. Master's studies

You have completed 60 credits of Master's level studies and you need to convert a course with 3 credits to ECTS credits.

- **Multiply** 3 credits by 1.5 = 4.5 ECTS credits

You have completed 95 credits of Master's level studies and you need to convert a course with 2 credits to ECTS credits.

- **Multiply** 2 credits by 1.5 = 3 ECTS credits

3. Bachelor's Degree is a combination of several degrees

Example 1:

2-year Bachelor's degree + 2-year Master's degree = Bachelor's degree (16 years of education)

You have completed

- a 2-year Bachelor's degree of 90 credits and
- a 2-year Master's degree of 80 credits.

Together they correspond to a Bachelor's degree of 170 credits in total. The conversion factor is therefore the same as for the Bachelor's studies.

You need to convert a course with 3 credits to ECTS credits.

1. **Divide** 180 by 170 credits = the conversion factor is 1.05882353
2. **Multiply** 3 credits by 1.05882353 = 3.17647059 ECTS credits

Example 2:

National Degree + Higher National Degree + top-up degree = Bachelor's degree

You have completed

- a 2-year National Degree of 85 credit hours, and
- a 1-year top-up for a Higher National Degree of 50 credit hours, and
- a 1-year top-up for a Bachelor's degree of 30 credit hours.

Together they correspond to a Bachelor's degree of 165 credit hours in total. The conversion factor is therefore the same as for the Bachelor's studies.

You need to convert a course with 2 credit hours to ECTS credits.

1. **Divide** 180 by 165 credit hours = the conversion factor is 1.09090909
2. **Multiply** 2 credit hours by 1.09090909 = 2.18181818 ECTS credits