



English: Information for Outgoing Exchange Students

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General Preparation and post-experience course compensation

- 1) Try to take as many of your English compulsory courses in your field as possible before you leave
- 2) Take the XEN0022 English Academic Skills for Exchange Students course just before you leave
- 3) Take additional elective courses if possible to continue to activate your English skills (also links to e-learning modules):
<https://kielikeskus.jyu.fi/opetus/englanti/elective-courses>
- 4) Take care of any required language certification well in advance of departure (check with the receiving university for requirements)
- 5) Keep track of your courses while on exchange as you might receive compensation when you return



XEN0022: English Academic Skills for Exchange Students

OVERVIEW: 3 ECTS/30 contact hours

Offered in Spring 2018, probably March-May (Check Korppi in August)

This course supports and prepares students who will study abroad at three levels. First, they are given opportunities to practice tasks and situations they will encounter in the host academic institutions, such as participating in lectures and seminars, and writing various types of academic assignments. Second, it raises awareness about cross-cultural issues, including different institutional norms and politeness conventions. Finally it offers opportunities for students to network with and share information with other students studying abroad.

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XEN0022: Learning Outcomes

At the end of the course, students should be better prepared to:

- identify different cultural norms, communication styles, and academic conventions
- use language resources and strategies for coping with large quantities of reading in English
- use note-taking and active listening strategies to cope with lectures and courses in English
- engage in class discussions, as well as other forms of communication with lecturers and university staff (such as email), while paying attention to politeness rules and cultural expectations related to participation
- understand and respond in clearly structured, academic writing to different kinds of assignments, including in-class exams and out-of-class essays and reports
- and make inquiries to solve problems faced during a extended stay abroad, such as dealing with the doctor and finding a place to live.



Each One Teach One

Each one teach one (EOTO) is a way to meet international students and practice language skills:

<https://kielikeskus.jyu.fi/opiskelu/each-one-teach-one>



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Testing and Certification for Exchange Students 1/2

- Language certificates for international exchange programs (Erasmus, ISEP, bilateral exchanges) and internships (AIESEC, CIMO, Ministry of Foreign Affairs) can be given by the Language Centre
- Tests for certification are being offered in October of 2017, and January, April and May of 2018. Test dates and times are found at:
<https://kielikeskus.jyu.fi/opetus/englanti/language-certificates>



Testing and Certification for Exchange Students 2/2

Requests for certification are to be given to Lisa Lahtela if outgoing exchange students need language certification (lisa.lahtela@jyu.fi):

Dates for informing your participation:

Autumn 2017

- week 39 for the October test

Spring 2018

- week 2 for the January test
- week 12 for the April test
- week 17 for the May test

Erasmus and other exchange coordinators should give this information, but be active with your coordinator to be sure you are registered for testing if you need certification: <https://kielikeskus.jyu.fi/ohjeita-neuvoja/kielitodistukset> OR <https://kielikeskus.jyu.fi/opetus/englanti/language-certificates>



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Compensation for Exchange Studies

Note: You might be able to receive compensation for courses you take while on exchange. Keep work you have done while abroad and check the following for what to do:

<https://kielikeskus.jyu.fi/ohjeita-neuvoja/korvaavuusperiaatteet> (Suomeksi)

<https://kielikeskus.jyu.fi/en/language-centre-exams-course-compensation-and-evaluation/course-compensation-and-criteria> (English)

