



Expertise in Language Testing at Universities

NULTE promotes the standardisation of language proficiency levels and assessment systems. It sets standards in recognising qualifications across borders and contributes to language assessment literacy in higher education institutes. The *NULTE* network has established a system of governance and quality assurance in university language testing; it contributes to the professionalisation of university language testers.

NULTE aims at increasing the expertise of test developers and language teachers.



NULTE operates under the umbrella of the Cercles. The *Confédération Européenne des Centres de Langues de l'Enseignement Supérieur* is committed to the highest possible standards in language education and research. It brings together 350 Institutes in Higher Education.

NULTE certificates represent non-commercial certification systems focusing on language competence in the context of Higher Education. *NULTE certificates* offer high quality assessment of language competencies with a particular focus on the needs of graduates. They facilitate student mobility and increase the employability of academics of all disciplines.

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<http://www.cercles.org/EN-H176/nulte.html>

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NETWORK OF UNIVERSITY LANGUAGE TESTERS IN EUROPE

In providing a forum for identifying and pursuing the common interests of university language testers, NULTE seeks closer cooperation and mutual recognition between university language certificates.

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Unifying and Supporting University Language Testing Initiatives



Confédération Européenne des Centres de Langues dans l'Enseignement Supérieur
European Confederation of Language Centres in Higher Education
Europäischer Verband der Hochschulsprachenzentren



Supporting language testing initiatives at university and enhancing the quality of teaching, testing and learning modern languages in Higher Education.



ACERT to ogólnopolski, akademicki certyfikat dający możliwość poświadczania znajomości języka obcego ogólnego oraz specjalistycznego. Certyfikat ACERT jest wydawany przez uczelnie zrzeszone w Stowarzyszeniu Akademickich Ośrodków Nauczania Języków Obcych SERMO. Wysoką jakość egzaminu gwarantują procedury opracowane przez ekspertów z poszczególnych ośrodków akademickich w Polsce.

<https://www.sermo.org.pl/stowarzyszenie/egzamin-acert/>



CertAcles, modelo de acreditación de exámenes de dominio desarrollado por ACLES, nace de la necesidad detectada por parte de las direcciones de los Centros Universitarios españoles asociados de unificar criterios a la hora de acreditar niveles de conocimiento de diferentes lenguas extranjeras facilitando así la movilidad entre universidades españolas y su internacionalización.

<https://www.acles.es/en/certificados-idiomas>



CLES Certificat de compétences en langues de l'enseignement supérieur
Le CLES a été mis en place par le Ministère de l'éducation nationale français pour favoriser et valoriser la maîtrise des langues par les candidats. Le CLES s'inscrit en effet dans la perspective actionnelle préconisée par le *Cadre européen commun de référence pour les langues* et propose une approche par tâches, étroitement corrélées entre elles, dans les cinq activités de communication langagière que sont la compréhension de l'écrit et de l'oral, l'expression écrite et orale et l'interaction orale.

<https://www.certification-cles.fr/>

Quality and Excellence

NULTE strives for quality and excellence in language teaching and testing for tertiary education.

Members of the network collaborate in the creation and implementation of a common framework for university language testing and assessment, including a code of ethics and standard procedures of validation and quality assurance. These include auditing systems with internal and external auditors.

We believe that cooperation is the key factor to make sure that our candidates acquire the language competence they need and that the certifications we offer reach the highest quality standards.

Cornerstones

- ◆ university-based testing framed within the context of Higher Education Institutes
- ◆ up-to-date research on teaching and assessment in Applied Linguistics
- ◆ application of the *Common European Framework of Reference for Languages* (CEFR) in Higher Education
- ◆ language competence in international contexts
- ◆ context-sensitive testing
- ◆ strengthening the productive skills
- ◆ open to a wide range of languages
- ◆ valid and relevant for university graduates
- ◆ catering for the needs of future employers



Das Qualitätssiegel für die Ausbildung, das Testen / Prüfen und die Zertifizierung von Fremdsprachenkompetenzen, die für angehende Akademiker*innen relevant sind.

Träger des UNIcert®-Gütesiegels ist der Arbeitskreis der Sprachenzentren an Hochschulen e.V. (AKS) in Deutschland.

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Language Accreditation Unit for Universities in Central Europe

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<http://unicertluce.sk/>



The UNILANG recognition scheme serves to help university students in the UK and Ireland articulate and translate what their language learning outcomes mean in terms of the *Common European Framework of Reference for Languages* (CEFR). The scheme is being supported, managed and promoted by the Association of University Language Centres in the UK and Ireland and the University Council for Modern Languages.

<http://www.unilang.ac.uk/>