

*Information for the prospective students who are enrolling
at the University of Siena for the academic year 2018/19*

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ENTRY REQUIREMENT

The students who wish to enroll in the bachelor and the master degree courses completely taught in English are required to have at least the B2 level of English language (according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages).

They must present the original copy of one of the following international certificates - the only ones approved by the University of Siena - to the front office of the University Language Centre (called CLA):

- IELTS with minimum score of 5.5
- Cambridge First Certificate
- TOEFL with minimum score of 87 (internet-based)
- ISE II – Integrated Skills in English by Trinity College London

Please note that the students who have not been awarded any of the above certificates should pass the B2 level English exam at the University Language Centre after their enrollment in the university before January 2019. They will not be allowed to take any other exams until they reach the B2 level of the English language.

B2 LEVEL ENGLISH EXAM AT THE UNIVERSITY LANGUAGE CENTRE (CLA)

The B2 level English exam is composed of two parts, Reading and Use of English. A minimum of 60% (the average of the two parts) is necessary in order to pass the exam.

One hour is allowed for the completion of the first part: Reading: 3 reading exercises (30 questions)

- Part 1: reading comprehension, with questions and multiple-choice answers (8 questions, 2 points each)
- Part 2: completion of an article by inserting the given sentences (7 questions, 2 points each)
- Part 3: reading of a text and associating the given sentences with the people referred to (15 questions, 1 point each)

45 minutes are allowed for the completion of the second part: Use of English: 4 exercises (42 questions)

- Part 1: choose the correct word (among four options) to fill in the gaps in a text (12 questions)
- Part 2: complete an extract with 12 gaps
- Part 3: reading of a text and filling in the gaps with words derived from those in bold print (for example, “able” can become “ability” or “enable” or “disable”, etc.) (10 questions)
- Part 4: rewrite a sentence, using the given word, so that it has the same meaning as the first sentence (8 questions, 2 points each)

A self-study online course is available upon request for the exam preparation (clatutors@unisi.it). You can register directly for the exam at the CLA front office.

NEXT B2 SESSIONS

- 11th September 2018 (computer-based): enrolment from 20th August to 4th September 4th 2018
- 5th October 2018 (computer-based): enrolment from 13th to 27th September 2018
- 15th November 2018 (computer-based): enrolment from 25th October to 8th November 2018
- 11th December 2018 (computer-based): enrolment from 11th November to 4th December 2018

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