

GRADE AND CREDIT CONVERSION – MSU Office for Education Abroad

PROGRAM: Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore (Milan, Italy)

SPONSOR: College of Communication Arts and Sciences

UCSC Italian Grading Scale	UCSC US-based Grading Scale	MSU Grade Equivalent	UCSC credits*	MSU Credits
29-30	A	4.0	1	1
27-28	A- / B+	3.5	2	1
26	B	3.0	3	2
24-25	B- / C+	2.5	4	3
23	C	2.0	5	4
21-22	C- / D+	1.5	6	3
18-20	D / D-	1.0		
Below 18	F	0.0		

Explanations:

Credit conversion is based on a course-by-course basis. Not based on the sum of credit earned.

MSU credit conversion is based on ECTS credits. ECTS stands for European Credit Transfer System and provides a way of measuring and comparing learning achievements, and transferring them from one institution to another. ECTS credits are a relative value. The ECTS credit is 50% of the US credit value: i.e., $\text{ECTS credits} \times \frac{1}{2} = \text{MSU credits}$. In ECTS, 60 credit points represent the workload of a year of study, 30 credit points are allocated to a semester and 20 credit points to a term.

If a course yields credits resulting in partial MSU credit (e.g., 1.5 MSU credits), it is rounded up to the next full credit (e.g., 2 MSU credits).

Useful websites:

<http://www.ucscinternational.it/spend-a-semester-with-us/study-abroad-in-milan>

<https://registrar.ucsc.edu/navigator/section4/gpas/grade-points.html>



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