Thinking of applying for an international mobility programme?
Here is everything you need to know to get started:

Do you already hold a language certificate?
YES

- Check the Language Requirements FAQ – IULM Mobility Calls 2027 to make sure your certificate is officially recognised by IULM University for international mobility applications. (Please only contact the International Language Centre at ilc@iulm.it if you cannot find an exact match on the list; we unfortunately cannot reply to emails simply asking for confirmation). Don't forget that you will need to upload a copy of your certificate when submitting your application.

NO: What are my options?

- *Did you pass the language proficiency test last year?* If so, your result is still valid. IULM language proficiency eligibility for international mobility remains valid for two years, meaning you won't need to retake the test, provided your chosen destination requires the same language level.
- *Did you graduate from a high school where the language of instruction matches the language you are applying for (English, French, Spanish, or German)?* If you did, you can email your documents (your diploma along with the full transcript of records in PDF format) to ilc@iulm.it for evaluation. Please make sure to submit this by October 31st 2026.
- You can take the University's language proficiency tests scheduled for November 2026. Please note that the registration deadline is October 31st 2026.
- You can obtain an external language certificate independently by January 2027.

Please note: Some of our partner universities require specific language certificates. In this case, the IULM language proficiency test cannot be used. We strongly recommend checking the International Mobility page carefully to see whether your chosen university accepts our proficiency test. Finally, please remember that simply obtaining the certificate is not enough: you must upload it to your application once you have it.

When can I register for the language proficiency tests?
You can register for the language proficiency tests by October 31st 2026 by filling in one of the following forms:

- IULM Degree Courses taught in Italian
- IULM Degree Courses taught in English

How is the language proficiency test structured?

ENGLISH

The **English language** proficiency test will be organized as follows:

the written test is held online. Due to a technical issue beyond our control, and contrary to our previous update, **the test can be taken from Wednesday, 11 November 2026 at 11:00 a.m. to 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, 15 November 2026.**

The email with the instructions to access the Oxford platform will be sent around 10 November 2026.
In the following days after the test, you will receive the results of the written tests along with any invitations to the oral tests, which will take place in person from 19 November 2026 onwards.

FRENCH, SPANISH, GERMAN

The language proficiency tests for French and German (levels B1 and B2) and Spanish (levels B1, B2 and C1) will be held in person and structured as follows:

- **The written** test will take place in person on Thursday **November 12th 2026**. You will receive an email around November 10th 2026 with your specific test slot and details. The test will assess your grammatical and cultural knowledge and is non-graded.

The tests:

- **German - test content:** German language proficiency test **(level B1 and B2).** The written test will take place on the Blackboard platform, will last **40 minutes,** and will be structured as follows:
  -A reading comprehension section with multiple-choice questions;
  -40 multiple-choice questions focusing on filling in the gaps (verbal tenses, articles, adverbs, conjunctions, prepositions, idioms, and general knowledge).

- **Spanish** - **test content:** Spanish language proficiency test **(levels B1 and B2).** The written test will take place on the Blackboard platform, will last **40 minutes**, and will be structured as follows:
  -A reading comprehension section with multiple-choice questions;
  -40 multiple-choice questions focusing on filling in the gaps (verbal tenses, articles, adverbs, conjunctions, prepositions, idioms, and general knowledge).

  Only students who pass the B1/B2 level test will have access to the **C1 test**, which will also last **40 minutes** and will consist of:
  -A reading comprehension section with multiple-choice questions;
  -45 multiple-choice questions focusing on filling in the gaps (verbal tenses, articles, adverbs, conjunctions, prepositions, idioms, and general knowledge).

- **French - test content:** French language proficiency test **(level B1 and B2)**. The written test will take place on the Blackboard platform, will last **40 minutes,** and will be structured as follows:
  -A reading comprehension section with multiple-choice questions;
  -40 multiple-choice questions focusing on filling in the gaps (verbal tenses, articles, adverbs, conjunctions, prepositions, idioms, and general knowledge).

You will receive an email with your results in the days following the test. If you pass, this email will also include your invitation (with the exact date and time) for the oral test, which will be held in person the following week. The schedule will be organised based on the number of students admitted.

When will I receive my proficiency test results?
Results for all language proficiency tests will be sent via email once the entire testing session is complete, usually within 10 working days.

PLEASE NOTE: Students who register for a language proficiency test but fail to attend without cancelling their booking by October 31st 2026 will be charged a €10.00 service fee for each missed test.

Programmes and Destinations
To find out more about the exchange programmes and destinations available for the current academic year, please visit the International Mobility section or contact **erasmus@iulm.it.**