



FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Programme Regulations 2019-2020¹

Programme Title: BA in Applied Language and Translation Studies

*BA in Applied Language and Translation Studies (International)

Programme Code ALTS, ALTSYA

Offered on a full-time or part-time basis Full-time

Note: Programme Regulations should be read in conjunction with Marks and Standards, which can be found at <https://www.dcu.ie/registry/examinations/index.shtml>

1. Programme Specific Rules and Requirements

1.1 Students are not permitted to change language after Semester 1 of Year 1.

1.2 Calculation for the Award Classification (applies only to cohorts entering from 2018-19)

Update, May 2020:

Please note that due to alternative arrangements put in place in response to the Covid-19 pandemic, it has been agreed that Year 2 2019-2020 marks will not be included in the degree award classification of final-year students in future years.² Therefore, the previous-element contribution outlined below **will not apply**.

The calculation of the final year award classification includes contributions from previous years' results as follows:

Year Contribution	Contribution to the Award Classification
Year 2	20%

2. Derogations from Marks and Standards

Marks and Standards apply.

¹ Updated May 2020: see Section 1.2

² Approved by DCU Registrar / Vice-President for Academic Affairs, 27th March 2020.

3. Progression

3.1 Credits for Progression

Students must have successfully completed a minimum of 60 credits in a study period in order to progress to the next study period.

3.2 Carrying modules into the next academic session

Under exceptional circumstances, and subject to the approval of the Progression and Award Board, students may be permitted to progress to the next year of study carrying 5 credits where the following criteria are met:

- 3.2.1 The student will not be permitted in any circumstances to carry more than 5 credits into the following academic year.
- 3.2.2 Modules can only be carried from Years 1 to 2 and cannot be carried into the Year Abroad or Final Year.
- 3.2.3 Should constraints prevent a student's participation in the carried module, the Programme Chair may allocate an alternative module or restrict the student's choice of optional modules.
- 3.2.4 This regulation will only apply to non-core language modules, which are not a pre-requisite in the following year and do not require weekly class participation as one of the criterion for assessment, i.e. FR/GE/SP190, GE/SP191, LC150, LC112, LC118 and LC110.
- 3.2.5 Module(s) that have already been carried forward, cannot be carried forward into a further academic year

3.3 ALTS Year Three (Year Abroad) Regulations

- 3.3.1 Year 3 is normally spent studying at one of our partner universities. On successful completion of their degree, students who have successfully completed Year 3 abroad in one of our partner universities receive the award of BA in Applied Language and Translation Studies (International) [240 credits].
- 3.3.2 Where a student is unable to study abroad as a result of documented, exceptional circumstances, they may, at the discretion of the programme board, transfer into ALTS Year 3. In such cases, they are eligible for the award of *BA in Applied Language and Translation Studies*.
- 3.3.3 Students studying Japanese or Chinese as one of their languages are required to spend Year 3 in Japan or China respectively.
- 3.3.4 Students doing the Year Abroad are normally required to resit failed elements of Year 3 coursework at the partner university.

- 3.3.5 Where the partner university does not allow for this and where students have accumulated a minimum of 50 of the 60 DCU-equivalent credits required in Year 3, the Year Abroad Coordinator, in conjunction with relevant colleagues, will set resit examinations/assignments in DCU. The deadline for the completion of such examinations/assignments will be determined by the date of the Year 3 final PAB.
- 3.3.6 When resits of Semester 1 modules preclude students from participating in Semester 2 modules, students are still required to pass Semester 1 modules and to accumulate Semester 2 credits by completing modules and/or approved courses as agreed in consultation with Coordinator and Chairperson.
- 3.3.7 Students who do not pass the year are required to complete repeat components at a partner university in order to remain eligible for the award of *BA in Applied Language and Translation Studies (International)*, subject to places being available. Alternatively, students who do not successfully complete their Year Abroad (60 credits) may be permitted by the Programme Board to transfer into ALTS Year 3 (in DCU). Such students are not eligible for the award of *BA in Applied Language and Translation Studies (International)*, but instead receive the award of *BA in Applied Language and Translation Studies*.
- 3.3.8 Students will not be granted exemptions in their Final Year for any module(s) taken while on Study Abroad.

4. Compensation

Compensation may apply, within the regulations specified in Marks and Standards, to all modules except the following:

<i>Module Code</i>	<i>Module Title</i>
FR/GE/SP130	French/German/Spanish Language 3 Intermediate
GE/SP/JA/ZH107	German/Spanish/Japanese/Chinese Language 1 Beginners
GE/SP/ZH108	German/Spanish/Chinese Language 2 Beginners
JA108	Japanese Reading and Writing Skills (Beginners)
JA109	Japanese Listening and Speaking Skills (Beginners)
JA127	Japanese Reading and Writing Skills (Intermediate)
JA128	Japanese Listening and Speaking Skills (Intermediate)
FR/GE/SP141	French/German/Spanish Introduction to Translation Practice
GE/SP/JA/ZH240	German/Spanish/Japanese/Chinese Language 3 Ex Beginners
FR/GE/SP250	French/German/Spanish 4 Ex Intermediate
GE/SP/JA/ZH267	German/Spanish/Japanese/Chinese Language 4 Ex Beginners
FR/GE/SP268	French/German/Spanish Language 6 Ex Intermediate

5. Resit Categories

The resits offered for the August examinations diet vary depending on the module to be re-taken. The following is an explanation of the resit categories. All modules except those specified fall into category 1.

Resit Category 1: A resit is available for all components of the module.

Resit Category 2: No resit is available where the module is 100% assessed by Continuous Assessment.

<i>Module Code</i>	<i>Module Title</i>
LC302	Year Abroad – Coursework
LC303	Year Abroad – Coursework
LC307	Year Abroad – Coursework
LC312	Year Abroad – Coursework

Resit category 3: No resit is available for the continuous assessment component and the examination must be re-taken.