

# Foreign languages in the Bachelor Degree in Economics, Politics, and Social Sciences

In order to graduate, EPOS students will have to show proficiency in either Spanish or French. This requirement is a pass/fail test to be done in the third year in order to obtain the credits (there is no grade).

**In which semester are language classes taught?** Courses are offered by the CLA (Centro Linguistico di Ateneo) in both semesters, and you choose when to enroll. To choose the class of the proper level, you should do an assessment test of what your starting level is (sorry, page in Italian): <https://corsi.cla.unibo.it/menu/blended>

The schedule of courses can be found here:

[http://cla-www.cliro.unibo.it/portale/corsi/info/?page=bo\\_blended.htm](http://cla-www.cliro.unibo.it/portale/corsi/info/?page=bo_blended.htm)

**How are language classes taught?** There are about 24 hours of lectures with the instructor (typically once per week) plus 50 hours of self-administered activities on interactive material provided in the course. The instructors are mother-tongue. If you do not speak Italian, please let the instructor know. Usually, he/she will be able to accommodate your needs in the regular course. Foreign languages are usually taught through that language, not in Italian.

If that does not work, another option is to rely on a **tutoring service** available every day. The tutor can provide teaching material and textbooks more suited to your native language

<https://centri.unibo.it/cla/en/courses/self-study-assisted-by-a-tutor>

To see the timetable for self-paced learning with the assistance of a Tutor, see here the schedule of the Tutor availabilities: [http://cla-www.cliro.unibo.it/portale/corsi/info/?page=bo\\_autoapp-tutor.htm](http://cla-www.cliro.unibo.it/portale/corsi/info/?page=bo_autoapp-tutor.htm)

**I am already fluent in Spanish or French: should I still take the class?** No, to obtain credits you have just to prove your language skills. You can provide documents that you have already acquired a proficiency level A2, B1, B2, or higher from the following certification bodies (sorry, page in Italian):

<https://centri.unibo.it/cla/it/riconoscimento-idoneita-linguistica>

**What if I am a complete beginner?** We recommend you to take the language class in the first semester and see which level you reach after the semester. It is possible that you will need to take another class in the second semester to reach the required proficiency. Experience suggests that also Italian-speaking students sometimes need two semesters to obtain the required level.

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