CEFR
C1 Italian
Exam

" *We prepare you for a global society, characterized by the unstoppable expansion of new markets; extraordinary cultural, social and linguistic diversity, innovation and technology as generators of opportunities; immediacy and proximity and, collaboration and constant change. We prepare you to join this new reality, by helping you achieve linguistic mastery"*

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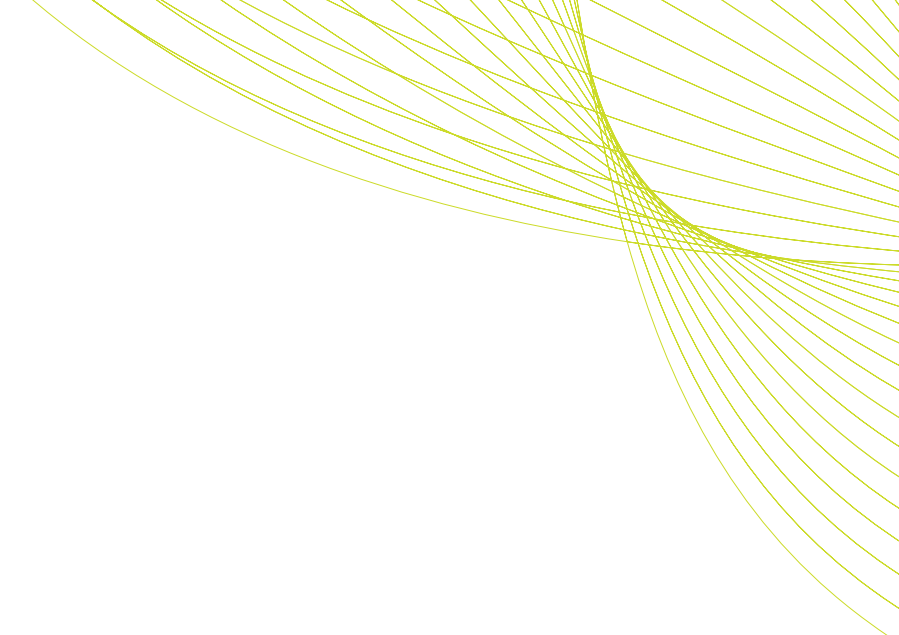
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Welcome

Italy is the country of Michelangelo, Raphael and Leonardo, as well as the country of Ferrari and major fashion brands. It is a country that combines history, culture, industry and glamour, and has a great weight in the European environment, making it a very attractive region in various fields. Thus, in order to access labor or academic processes in Italy, it is necessary to demonstrate a great command of the language, so TECH offers the student the possibility of taking and passing this Level C1 test. This university exam adheres to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages, which is the most respected and internationally valid system for language level recognition.

Ciao!

Certifying Level C1 of Italian is the best way to be eligible to work for large Italian companies or in diplomatic work within the European Union"

Introduction

This university exam leads to a certificate of Italian Level C1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages and is valid in all kinds of administrative, work and academic processes all over the world. This is the most internationally recognized accreditation and will allow the student to stand out from other candidates for scholarships, exchange programs or professional positions.

The C1 certificate that you will obtain will certify that you have a wide range of Italian language skills in the different linguistic areas, allowing you to work or study in Italy with total ease and fluency.

You are just one step away from accrediting your Level C1 in Italian by passing this university test, which is part of the CEFR.

" *It is proven that learning languages increases your Intelligence. Learning a foreign language strengthens the brain's neural networks"*

José Antonio Marina.
Philosopher, writer, and teacher.

Flexible and Tailored

Take your exam in person at any of our accredited locations or online from wherever you want.

No Stress

Are you nervous about waiting in long lines to register for the exam and take the different tests? At TECH you can register online and take your test with a tutor just for you.

No Waiting

Receive your certificate in record time and in digital format so you can always carry it with you.

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Why Is it Important to Obtain C1 Certification?

The language certificates of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages are required in numerous employment processes, scholarships, administrative procedures, exchange and volunteer programs, job vacancies and competitive examinations. Moreover, Italy is one of the most important countries in the European Union, both diplomatically, economically and industrially. For this reason, being able to accredit C1 Italian can open doors to European management positions, jobs in Italy or university positions in the best public and private institutions in the country.

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Having a C1 Italian certificate is mandatory to access university positions in Italy and other European countries such as Switzerland"

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The Common European Framework of Reference for Languages is the only recognized and accredited system for assessing a student's level of proficiency. Although there are other certification systems, these come from private institutions and are, therefore, not valid. The CEFR establishes a single criterion to determine the difficulty of the courses and awards diplomas that are recognized throughout the European Union.

At TECH we offer you the test to obtain your level certificate based 100% on the CEFR, the only system recognized and accepted throughout Europe.

The validity of the Italian C1 certificate that you will obtain by passing this university exam will never expire, unlike other tests that require periodic updating.

The CEFR is the most important language recognition system in the world. This university test will give you the opportunity to certify your level according to this important linguistic standard.

Important professional opportunities will come your way once you add the CEFR Italian C1 to your resume"

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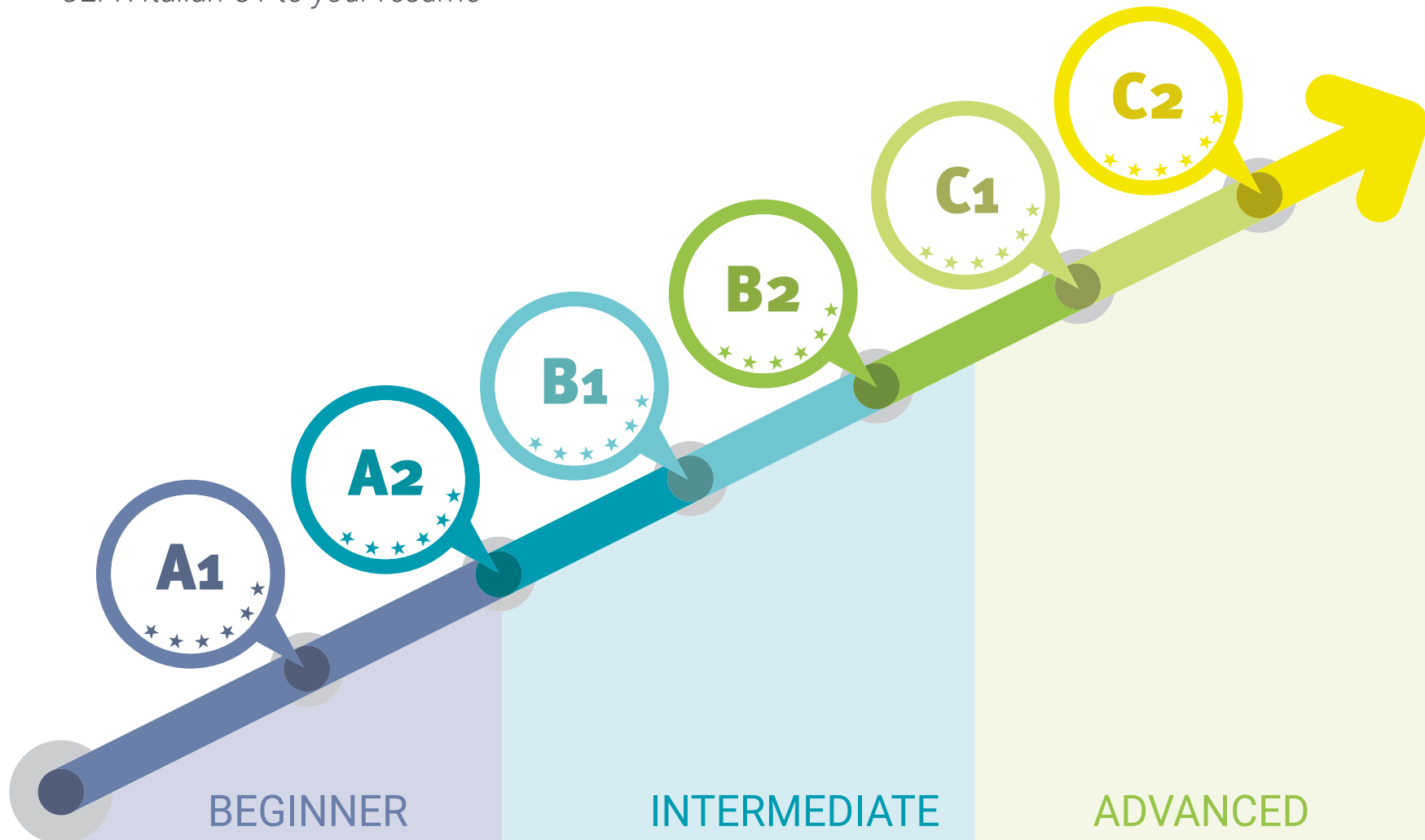
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Methodology and Criteria for Exam Evaluation

TECH's university exam for the accreditation of Italian Level C1 is conducted in a totally flexible way, adapting to the personal and professional circumstances of its students. Thus, you will be able to take the tests telematically, with the accompaniment of an individual tutor who will make the process comfortable for the student, ensuring that he/she can focus on what is important: passing the exam and certifying his/her level.
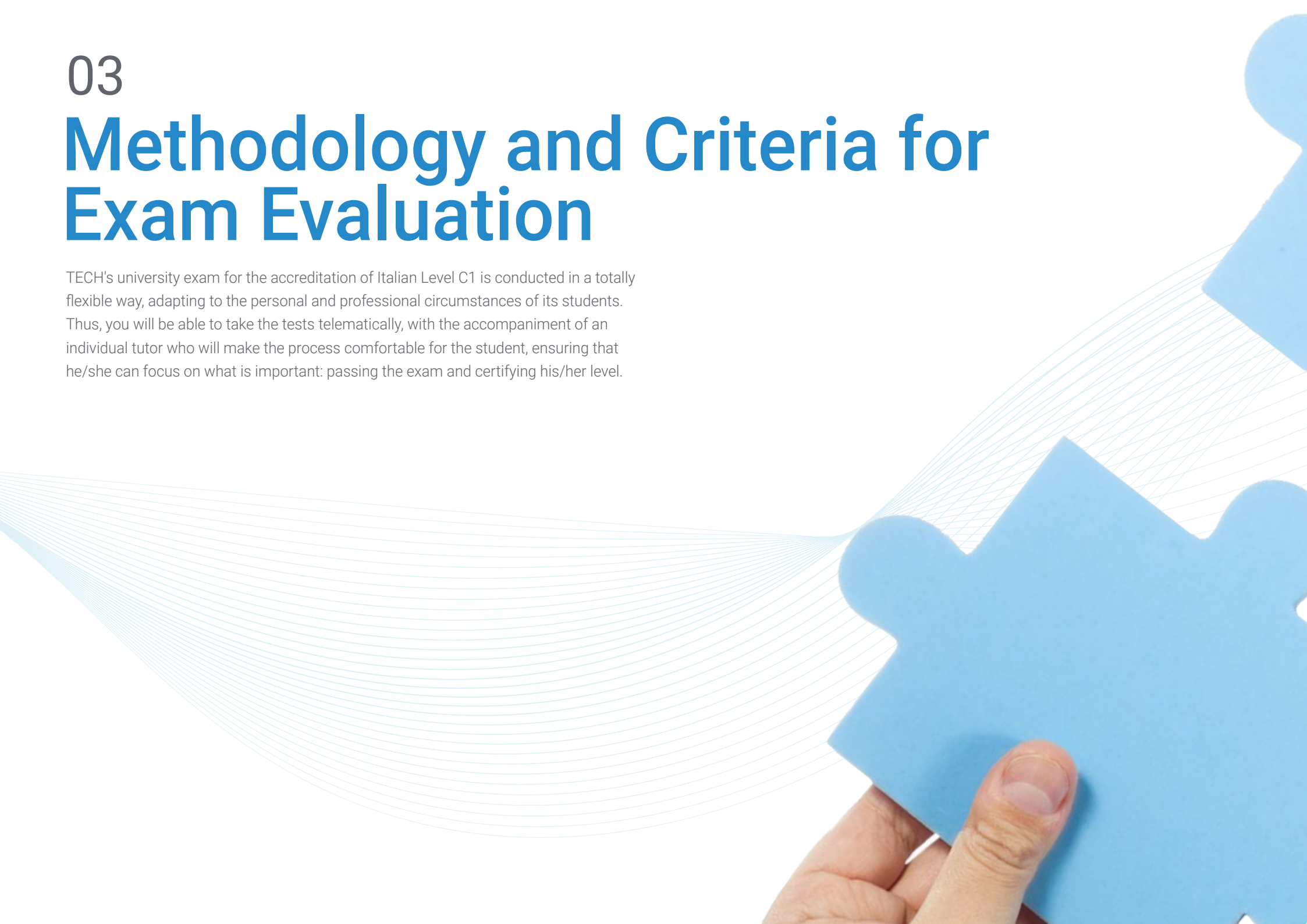
Take the exam conveniently whenever and wherever you want: TECH adapts to you and your personal circumstances"

What are the C1 Level Skills?

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Diplomas from other language schools are only valid in the country where you sit the exam, not in the rest of the world. That is why you need a CEFR title with TECH: It's valid worldwide!"

01 Is able to understand a wide variety of long and demanding texts and recognize implicit meanings in them

02 Can express him/herself fluently and spontaneously without much obvious effort to find the right expression

" *Being able to demonstrate proficiency in a language is essential today. Pass this university exam and face all your personal and professional challenges with guarantees"*

03 Can make flexible and effective use of the language for social, academic and professional purposes

04 Can produce clear, well-structured and detailed texts on topics of a certain complexity, showing a correct use of the mechanisms of text organization, articulation and cohesion

C1 level Self-Assessment Chart

What is a person with this level able to do?

Comprehension	Speaking	Writing

Comprehension

Listening comprehension

- Understand long speeches even when they are not clearly structured and when relationships are only implicit and not explicitly stated
- Understand TV shows and movies without much effort

Reading Comprehension

- Understand long and complex texts of a literary or factual nature, appreciating distinctions of style
- Understand specialized articles and long technical instructions, even if they are not related to their specialty

Speaking

Oral interaction

- Express oneself with fluency and spontaneity without having to search for the right expressions in a very obvious way
- Use language flexibly and effectively for social and professional purposes
- Formulate ideas and opinions with precision and skilfully connect interventions to those of other speakers

Oral expression

- Present clear and detailed descriptions on complex topics that include other subjects, developing concrete ideas and ending with an appropriate conclusion

Writing

Written Expression

- Express oneself in clear and well-structured texts, presenting points of view with a certain length
- Write about complex topics in letters, essays, or reports, highlighting what you consider to be important issues
- Choose the appropriate style for your target readership

You choose when and where to take the exam and TECH takes care of the rest. This way you can concentrate on what is really important: the placement test.

Qualitative aspects of spoken language usage for Level C1
(According to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages)

What is expected to be achieved with this level?

Scope

- Have a good command of a a wide range of linguistic aspects that allow you to choose a formulation to express yourself clearly and in an appropriate style on a variety of general, academic, professional or leisure topics without having to restrict what you want to say

Correction

- Consistently keep a high degree of grammatical correctness; errors are rare, difficult to spot, and are usually corrected when they occur

Fluency

- Express yourself fluently and spontaneously with little effort
- Only a conceptually difficult subject can hinder the natural flow of your expression

Interaction

- Choose appropriate phrases from an available range of discourse functions to introduce your comments, in order to take or keep the floor and skilfully relate your own interventions to those of the other speakers

Coherence

- Produce clear, fluent and well-structured speech, demonstrating controlled use of organizational structures, connectors and cohesive mechanisms

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Listening comprehension objectives
The candidate is able to:

- Understand enough to follow a long speech on abstract and complex topics beyond their expertise, although they may have to confirm some details, especially if they are not accustomed to the accent

- Recognize a wide range of idiomatic and colloquial expressions, and notice changes in register

- Follow an extended speech even when it is not clearly structured, and when links are only assumed and not explicitly pointed out

- Easily follow complex conversations between third parties in group discussions, even on abstract, complex, and unfamiliar topics

- Understand with relative ease most lectures, discussions and debates

- Extract specific information from public statements that have poor quality and distorted sound; e.g., at a station, in a stadium, etc.

- Understand complex technical information, such as operating instructions, product specifications, and everyday services

- Understand a wide range of recorded and broadcast material, including some unusual usage, and identify details and subtleties such as implied attitudes and relationships between speakers

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**Reading comprehension objectives**
The candidate is able to:

- Understand in detail long and complex texts, whether or not they relate to his or her specialty, provided he or she can reread difficult sections

- Understand any communication with sporadic use of the dictionary

- Understand in detail a wide range of lengthy and complex texts that you are likely to encounter in social, professional or academic life, and identify subtle details including , both implicit and explicit attitudes and opinions

- Understand in detail lengthy and complex instructions on new machines or procedures, whether the instructions relate to your field of specialty or not, provided you can reread the difficult sections

- Understand films that use a considerable amount of slang or colloquial language and idiomatic expressions

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Speaking objectives
The candidate is able to:

- Deliver clear and detailed descriptions and presentations on complex topics, integrating other topics, developing concrete ideas and ending with an appropriate conclusion
- Perform clear and detailed descriptions of complex topics
- Make statements fluently, almost effortlessly, accurately using some intonation to convey subtle shades of meaning
- Deliver clear and well-structured presentations on a complex topic, expanding at some length and defending your points of view with complementary ideas, reasons and appropriate examples. Make good use of interjections, responding spontaneously and with little effort
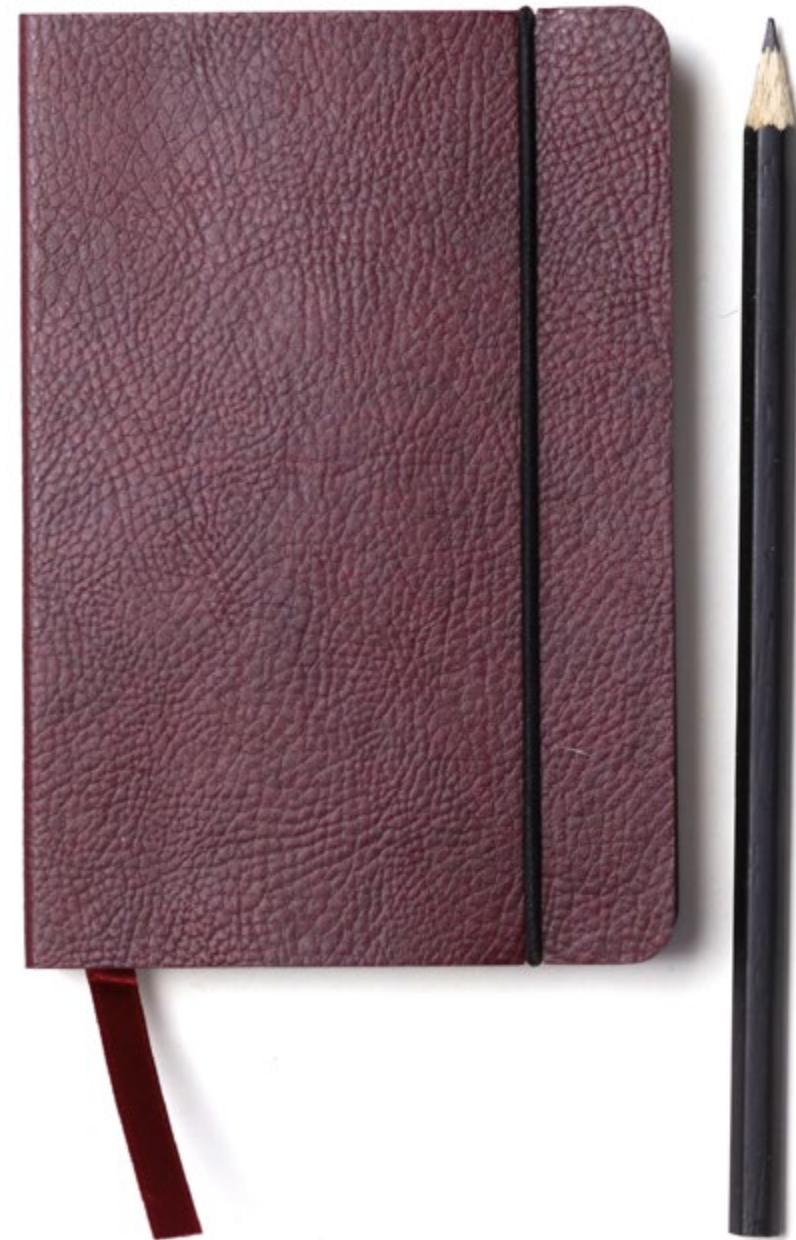
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Writing objectives
The candidate is able to:

- Write clear and well-structured texts on complex topics highlighting the main ideas, expanding at some length and defending their points of view with appropriate complementary ideas, reasons and examples, ending with an appropriate conclusion

- Write descriptions and imaginary texts in a clear, detailed and well-structured way, with a convincing, personal and natural style that is appropriate for the intended readers

- Write clear and well-structured presentations on complex topics, highlighting the main ideas. Expand at some length and defend points of view with complementary ideas, reasons and suitable examples

Features of the C1 Italian Exam

1 What does the TECH - Technological University TEST ASSESS?

- The contents of the exams and the evaluation criteria will be those corresponding to the CEFR descriptors.
- No published assignments or test materials will be used.
- The four skills (oral and written expression, oral and written comprehension) will be evaluated together or separately. Use of language tasks may also be included.
- All test tasks, with the possible exception of the use of language tasks, will be close to real-world tasks and the text materials will be authentic, as far as possible and according to the level tested. This will be the case from level C1 onwards

2 How long does the test last?

- The exams, whatever the level, shall not be less than 170 minutes or more than 225 minutes long

3 How is the test carried out?

- The oral and written comprehension tests, as well as the written expression test, are conducted via computer

- The oral expression test consists of an interview, whenever possible, with two examiners that is recorded

- The written and oral expression tests, whenever possible, will be evaluated by two examiners according to the procedures established by TECH

Candidates must obtain at least a 6 on each part of the exam in order to obtain a PASS grade.

If you do not pass all areas, you will not get your certificate but you will obtain a detailed report of your skills in each area and competency.

4 What are the assessment criteria?

With regard to grades, TECH, following the recommendations, uses the following criteria:

FAIL	<0-59%

Candidates who obtain at least 60% in each of the 4 parts of the exam will pass the exam. Based on the overall score, a grade will be awarded that will appear on the certificate issued by TECH, according to the following scale:

PASS	<60-69%
GOOD	<70-89%
EXCELLENT	<90-100%

In the event that a candidate does not pass any of the 4 parts of the test, they must retake the entire exam.

Structure, duration and weighting of the 4 parts of the examination

Below is a table with the sections, characteristics and duration of the different parts of the test.

Duration	Sections		Instructions
	Skill	Time	
C1 170-225 minutes	Speaking	Monologue and directed questions	15 - 20 minutes	Instructions in mother tongue
	Listening comprehension	Authentic documents in plural audio/video of 30 minutes of duration	35 - 45 minutes	
	Writing	Production of 2 different types of texts of at least 400 words in total	70 - 90 minutes	
	Reading comprehension	Use of authentic documents	50 - 70 minutes	

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Knowing the nature of the test before you take it will facilitate optimal preparation"

Structure of the C1 level Italian exam

It consists of 4 parts:

Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing

The total duration of the exam is 170 to 225 minutes, with the first three parts taking place one after the other (1st Listening, 2nd Writing, 3rd Reading). There will be a minimum of 20 minutes of rest between the first three parts and the 4th part (Speaking), which can be done on the same day, or on a different day, with a maximum limit of 7 days after the other block has been completed.

Listening (Duration 35-45 minutes)

Listening consists of 4 exercises, each of which is based on an audio recording that can be a monologue or a conversation between 2 or more people. Exercises include, multiple choice, sentence completion, completion of charts; graphs or diagrams; and short answers in one or two sentences. In this part of the exam it should be noted that accents from any part of the world can be heard, which adds a substantial degree of difficulty.

Reading (Duration: 50-70 minutes)

It consists of 40 questions grouped in 3 sections. Each text is between one and two pages long and several questions are asked about it. The texts are actual excerpts from books, research articles, newspapers and scientific journals. The type of questions, as in the oral part, is highly varied: multiple answers, completing tables, graphs or diagrams, locating information in the text, indicating the writer's opinion, etc.

Writing (Duration: 70-90 minutes)

This part consists of two exercises, an essay between 200 and 350 words and another between 450 and 600 words. As a first draft a small report , is usually requested on a piece of information provided to the examinee in any format (text, graph, table or diagram).

Regarding the 450-600 word essay, a piece of information is usually presented very briefly (a couple of lines), followed by a statement about it, and then the candidate is asked to explain whether they agree or disagree with the statement, briefly stating the necessary arguments. The second exercise accounts for two thirds of the Writing section grade and the first exercise for one third.

Speaking (Duration: 15-20 minutes)

In this last part, a conversation is held with an examiner, and it is designed to be as realistic as possible. It is divided into 3 subsections. In the first, the candidate responds to personal, family and/or everyday questions. In the second, the candidate discusses a specific topic indicated by the examiner. In this case, the ability to produce a coherent and orderly discourse is valued. In the third and last one, both the examiner and the candidate have a conversation on a specific topic, where oral interaction and discussion skills are assessed. The entire Speaking part of the section is recorded for later review purposes.

Sections						
Duration	**Skills**	**Observations**	**Items**	**Tasks**	**Time**	**Instructions**
C1 170-225 minutes	Oral expression and interaction	Monologue and interaction, recommended for couples. Exams must be recorded		Minimum 2	15 - 20 minutes	Instructions in mother tongue
	Listening comprehension	Various audio/video documents. Min. 2 documents. Maximum of 2 playbacks per document. Minimum duration of 2 min. and maximum of 6 min. per document.	Minimum of 5 items and maximum of 10 items per task. Minimum total of 30 items	Minimum 2, maximum 4. Dichotomous tasks are not accepted.	35 - 45 minutes	
	Written Expression	Writing different types of texts	Minimum 200 words, maximum 350 words per task. Minimum of 450 and maximum of 600 in total	Minimum of 2 tasks	70 - 90 minutes	
	Reading Comprehension	Several authentic documents; minimum of 2100, maximum of 2800 words total	Minimum of 5 items and maximum of 10 items per task. Minimum total of 30 items	Minimum 2, maximum 4. Dichotomous tasks are not accepted.	50 - 70 minutes	

Who Can Take the Exam?

Candidates for the Level C1 accreditation test may be members of the university community, as well as nationals or foreigners (over 16 years of age) who wish to accredit their level of linguistic competence for academic, educational, professional or personal purposes. Although the interests and motivations of our students are different, they all have a common goal: to improve and certify their level of Italian.

Now is the time: certify your Italian level and reach all your goals"

Why are our students interested in certifying their level?

Academic 25%

- Access to a university degree
- Access to doctoral studies
- Access to an official Master's Degree or postgraduate training program

Educational 13%

- Continuation of language studies
- Improve language skills

Personal 12%

- Improve CV
- Confirmation of skills

Professional 50%

- Access to a new position
- Promotion or job improvement

"TECH supports you to take the exam online, putting all the means at your disposal so that you can focus on taking the test"

Assessment and Certification

Each part of the exam accounts for 25% of the total grade. Candidates must obtain a minimum grade of 6 to pass each part of the course.

- To obtain an overall PASS in the exam, it is necessary to pass all the tests and obtain an average of more than 6.
- To obtain the overall grade of GOOD in the exam, you must pass all the tests with a grade higher than 6, and obtain an average between 7, 8 and 9
- To obtain the overall grade of EXCELLENT in the exam, you must pass all the tests with a grade higher than 6 and obtain an average between 9 and 10
- Only those who have passed may request a certificate of aptitude issued by TECH - Technological University.

The level will be considered acquired if the final total score is greater than or equal to 60% of the total possible score. No average will be made if a minimum of 60% of the possible score is not reached in each of the evaluated skills.

Certificates will only be issued if the level has been reached.
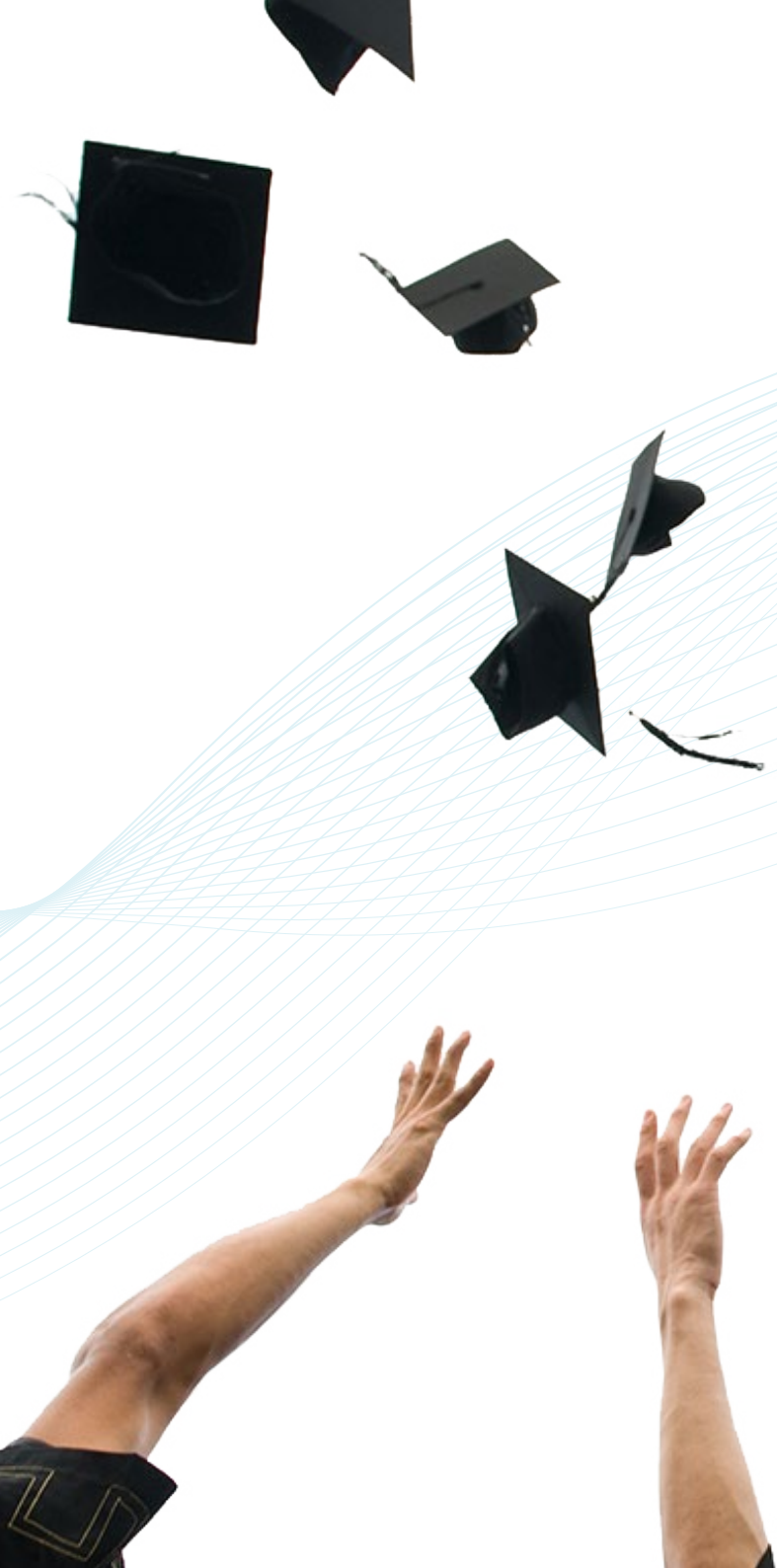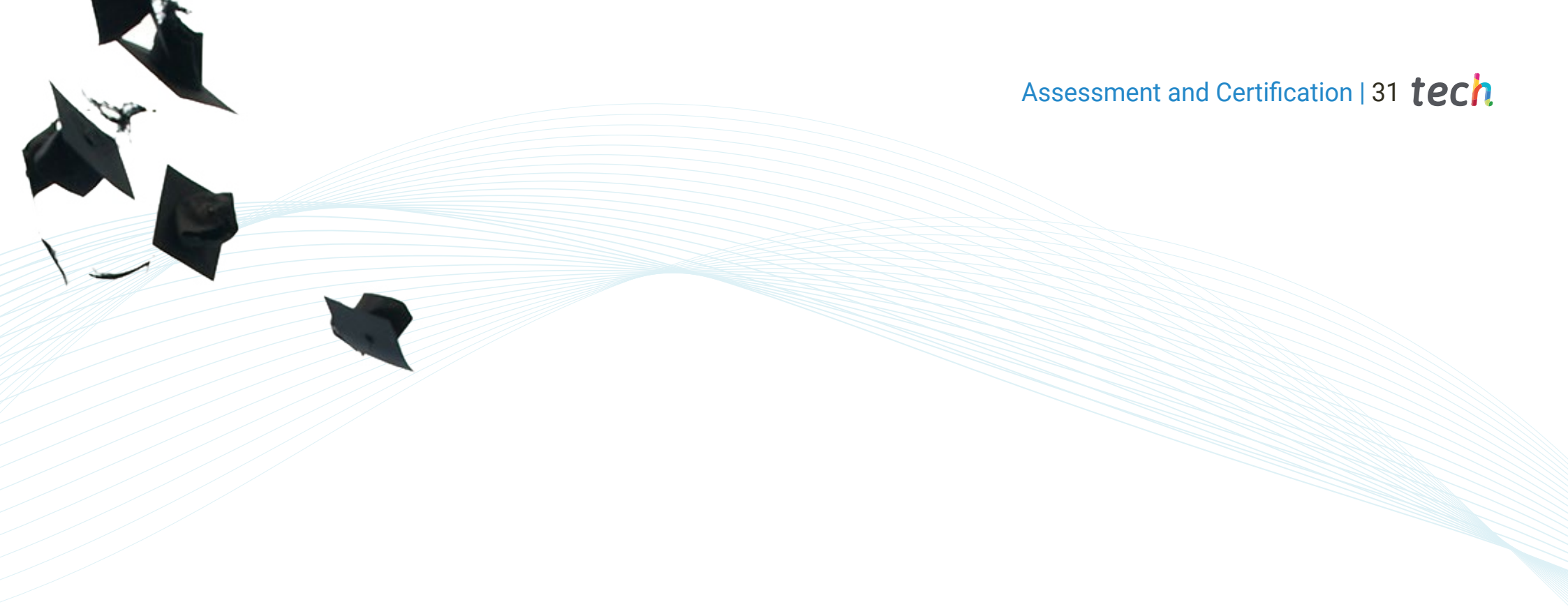
To obtain the certificate, a score equal to or higher than 6 must be obtained in each of the 4 sections of the exam"

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Take your exam online, with an expert tutor who will accompany you throughout the process. Come and certify your level!"
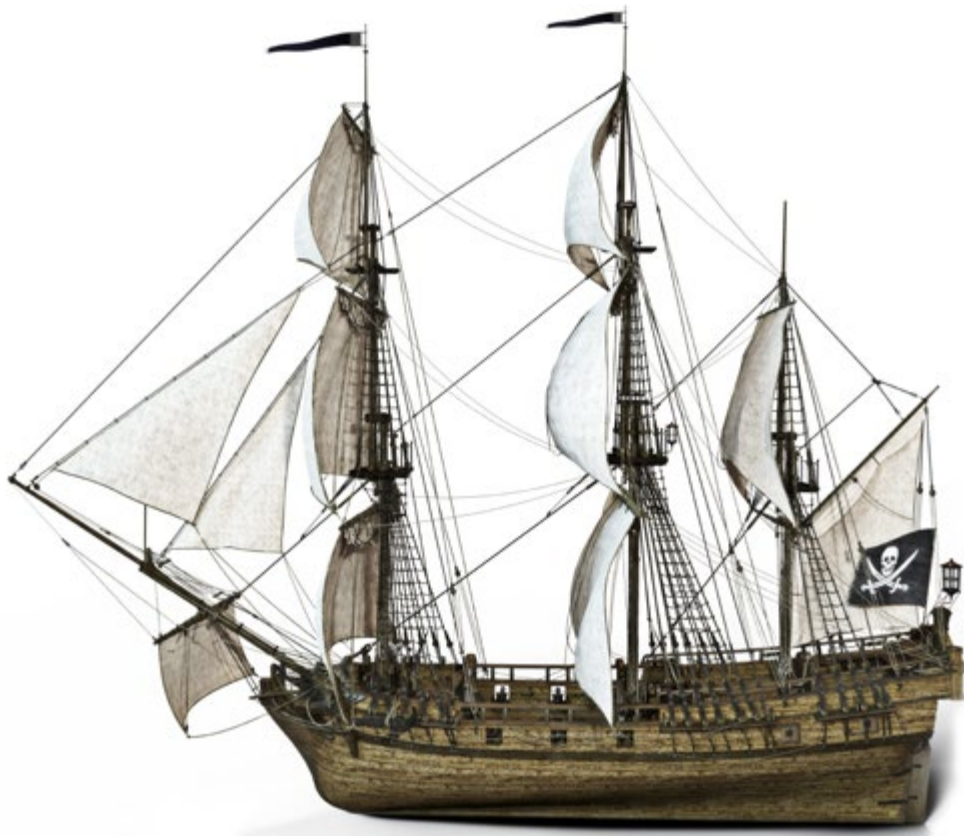
Certification

After successfully passing the exam, the student will receive a certificate of recognition that guarantees their preparation and proficiency at this level of the CEFR.

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This certificate hereby acknowledges that

Mr./Ms. _____,
has passed the corresponding tests for

Language Certification Exam in C1 Italian

This is a CEFR qualification
obtained on __/__/____

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Examination - CEFR C1 Italian
Results obtained

Skills	Score
Listening comprehension	3/5
Reading comprehension and use of language	4/5
Written production	3.5/5
Oral production and interaction	4.2/5
Final Score	**14.7/20**

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*Apostille Convention. In the event that the student wishes to have their paper certificate issued with an apostille, TECH Global University will make the necessary arrangements to obtain it, at an additional cost.

Instructions for the exam

Only candidates who have registered during the registration period and are on the official lists may sit for the examination.

It is compulsory to present a valid identification document or passport at the exam. No person without identification will be allowed access to the examination.

The language accreditation tests may be adapted to candidates with special needs. For this purpose, the type of disability (motor, visual, hearing, etc.) and the degree of disability, duly justified with a medical report, must be reported at the time of registration. Applications will be accepted depending on how far in advance the center is informed and the availability of resources at the center.

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