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## Information sheet: Lab project international students (Erasmus)

Erasmus lab projects are **not** equivalent to bachelor theses (+ project module) in Biology, therefore no formal interaction is required with the Prüfungsamt Biologie/examinations office (“Anmeldung der Bachelorarbeit,” etc.) before the project starts. The lab project can be supervised by any supervisor listed on the official supervisor list of the Department of Biology.

The amount of credits will depend solely on the amount of hours (workload) of the project. A workload of **25–30 h** (lab, preparatory work, homework, reading, etc.) will yield 1 ECTS credit. Usually, one semester of full-time work results in 30 ECTS.

Upon completion of the project, the supervising professor will have to issue a **certificate** (stating the amount of credits and, if needed, a grade), depending on the requirements of the student’s **home institution**. If the student’s home institution requires the project to be graded, the grading scheme of the Department of Biology will apply (1.0, 1.3, 1.7, etc). Whether the grade results from an evaluation of a thesis, oral examination(s), or presentation of the results (or a combination thereof) will be the responsibility of the supervisor. It is also possible to split the project and issue two separate certificates (e.g., 20 ECTS lab project with thesis with grade x, and 10 ECTS oral examination with grade y). In most cases this will depend on the requirements of the student’s home institution.

The certificate(s) then have to be handed in to the **Prüfungsamt Biologie**, which will issue an official **transcript**. In urgent cases, the certificate(s) can also be sent by the supervisor to the Prüfungsamt Biologie via email.

The **guest student** is responsible for thoroughly checking the exact requirements of her/his home institution, providing the supervising professor with these requirements **well in advance** and organising the process of finishing her/his project well before her/his return home. Grading and preparing the certificate(s) in the supervisor’s lab as well as validation and issuing of a transcript at Prüfungsamt Biologie, will need a certain amount of time.

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