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Mobility

ITM facilitates incoming and outbound student and staff mobility within and outside the EU for study, teaching and research purposes. International mobility and collaborative short courses and degree programmes are areas of focus in ITM's internationalisation strategy.

Recognition of credits and credit transfer

All course components or specialised short courses have a minimum of 3 credits and always a round number of credits. One credit represents between 25 and 30 hours of student investment time (SIT). Maximum 1,5 credits can be earned in a week of full-time study at ITM. In our online [course catalogue](#), you can find specific information on credits and SIT for each course.

All formally assessed learning experiences at ITM result in credits (e.g. course components or specialised short courses) and can be recognised for master degree purposes or for obtaining a Flemish postgraduate (minimum 20 credits) certificate.

A diploma contract specifies which credits, earned at ITM or through mobility (whether from national or international accredited higher education institutions or programmes), are recognised for degree purposes. Grades are transferred based on grading tables. If grading intervals are different (pass/fail, A B C D, or score/20), a student will receive the average mark from the corresponding grading interval at ITM.

Credit certificates for specialized short courses are issued, within 4 weeks, and include a grading table.

Degrees are issued according to Flemish laws, with a legal diploma supplement (European model) including information on admission criteria, course components, credits earned, mobility, grades (transferred grades) and include an ITM grading table according to the ECTS 2015 guidelines.

Additional information can be found in the [examination regulations](#).

Scholarships

With the support of the Belgian Directorate for Development (DGD) and other donors, the Institute of Tropical Medicine (ITM) can provide scholarships for PhD programmes, master programmes, short specialized courses and individual traineeships. Traineeships can be organised as part of a pre-doctoral track or in the context of continuous professional development (CPD).

These scholarships are offered to students from low and middle income countries, for all programmes (PhD to CPD). These are partial or full DGD scholarships. These scholarships can support both outgoing and incoming mobility.

[More information on the types of scholarships and eligibility criteria.](#)

