

General Principles of the Credit System

- Every subject (i.e. one semester long course) is assigned a certain amount of credits, which expresses the difficulty of the given subject. This amount of credits is awarded the student by passing the subject, i.e. by fulfilling all the requirements set by the subject's syllabus, or specified by the teacher at the beginning of the semester.
- The standard pace of studies is 60 credits per academic year, while the minimal permissible pace is 30 credits per year.
- The condition for successfully concluding one's studies is not the completion of a set amount of academic years, but the acquiring of a prescribed amount of credits in the required combination (i.e. by receiving the required minimum number of credits for compulsory, compulsory-elective and elective subjects) and the passing of the required exams.

Type of Degree	Standard Length (in years)	Number of Credits
Bachelor's	3	180
Master's (undergraduate)	5	300
Master's (graduate)	2	120

The contents of each degree program are given by their curriculum. The various subjects of each curriculum can be categorized as:

- All students of a given degree program have to pass **compulsory subjects**. They can, however, choose at what point during their studies they want to enroll in those subjects (with the exception of the first semester of each program, during which students have to enroll in a compulsory combination of subjects).
- **Compulsory-elective subjects**, usually grouped into blocks of subjects: students are obliged to choose a number of subjects from each of the blocks of subjects prescribed by the curriculum in order to be awarded the required amount of credits for the given block of subjects.
- The remaining amount of credits are acquired by passing **elective subjects**. Subjects offered by departments of the faculty which do not belong to the categories of compulsory and compulsory-elective subjects are listed as elective subjects. In addition, students can also choose as elective subjects any subject offered by the university (e.g. compulsory subjects of other study programs, additional compulsory-elective courses, etc.) if the dean of the faculty where the student is enrolled agrees, unless the conditions of enrollment of the given course exclude this option.