



Subject-specific test for master's degree program in Cognitive Science at the University of Potsdam (counts overall 49% towards admission rank)

## 50%

Questions concerning relevant experiences and skills. Please answer the following questions in writing and submit the resulting document together with your other application materials; your combined answers should not exceed two pages. (Each question is rated on a scale from 1 to 10; the resulting point value counts 50% towards the result of the test.)

Please list any internships you have completed that are relevant to your qualification for the MSc program Cognitive Science (institution, supervisors, duration, tasks).

Please list any jobs you have held that are relevant to your qualification for the MSc program Cognitive Science (institution, supervisors, duration, tasks).

Please list any stays abroad (e.g., for study or research) that are relevant to your qualification for the MSc program Cognitive Science (institution, potentially supervisors, duration, activities).

Please list any achievements that are relevant to your qualification for the MSc program Cognitive Science (e.g., conference contributions, published articles, awards, etc.).

Please list any skills and interests relevant to your qualification for the MSc program Cognitive Science (e.g., programming, experimenting, data analysis, etc.).

Please share your main motivations for studying the MSc program Cognitive Science.

In case there have been any barriers that have prevented you from gaining experiences according to the questions above, please share them.

## 50%

Applicants are required to complete a self-report in an Excel file provided with the application materials. In this self-report, you will enter your earned credit points and grades across five specified academic domains. This data will help calculate a percentage score that reflects your academic background's alignment with the requirements of the Cognitive Science program.

Instructions for Completing the Self-Report:

1. Enter Your Credit Points and Grades: The self-report is organized into five subject areas, with a maximum number of credit points (CP) that can count from each:

- Cognitive Science, Psychology, or Linguistics: Up to 52 CP
- Mathematics: Up to 18 CP
- Computer Science: Up to 18 CP
- Experimental Practice: Up to 6 CP
- Programming Languages: Up to 6 CP

For each area, enter the courses you have completed (using English course titles), along with the **credit points** earned and your **grade** (1 = highest, 5 = lowest). You do not need to enter the number of credit points missing (missing Cps) to reach the maximum level per domain. This is calculated automatically. The number 5 for the missing Cps means that all missing Cps are counted as if the student would have the grade 5 for these Cps. A useful link for transforming your grades is:

https://www.uni-potsdam.de/de/hi/studium-lehre/erasmusplus/ects

2. Score Calculation: A percentage value (0-100%) will be automatically calculated based on the credit points you have achieved relative to the maximum of 100 credit points. This percentage score will be used with the following formula to determine a point value:

"Point Value = (Percentage Score) × (Grade) + (1 - Percentage Score) × 5.0"

This point value contributes 50% of your final score for the subject-specific test.

Example: If you have achieved 80% of the possible credit points with an average grade of 2.0, your point value would be calculated as:

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$$(0.80 \times 2.0) + (0.20 \times 5.0) = 2.6$$
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After filling in your credit points and grades, please review to ensure all information is accurate. Submit this complete Excel file together with your other application materials.