

**MEL Joint Hons
(two DELC languages)**

**Year Abroad
assessment plans
(2020-21)**

**For students whose
original YA activity plan
was Erasmus (or
equivalent) study FULL
YEAR**

MA (Hons) in any TWO of these components:

- French
- German
- Italian
- Portuguese
- Russian Studies
- Scandinavian Studies
- Spanish

N.B. 'Erasmus (or equivalent) study' includes **Latin American** exchanges where grade conversions are possible; 'Non-Erasmus study' includes **Russian** exchanges where grade conversion is not possible.

All students will be enrolled on ELCC10001 Language Acquisition through Residence/Study, which is equivalent to 60 UoE credits, in preparation for LP1 (10 credits in each language), and Oral (20 credits in each language). These are assessed in Year 4.

+ ALL students will complete TWO **compulsory** Year Abroad Online Language Learning Courses (40 UoE credits in total). There is one for each language studied, and both courses span the full academic year.

+ ALL students will have access to the extra **Guided Language Study** (GLS) activities and materials available for your languages (**at least** in S1). These activities and materials will not be assessed and are non-credit-bearing; they are there to support you with your language acquisition during this disrupted semester. Please note GLS is a **flexible** offer to allow you to do as much as you can fit in around other activities.

What was your original YA activity plan?

Erasmus (or equivalent) study FULL YEAR

Non-Erasmus (or equivalent) study or work placement FULL YEAR

Erasmus (or equivalent) study PART YEAR + non-Erasmus study/work placement PART YEAR

Please see separate flowchart (scenario 3).

Please see separate flowchart (scenario 4).

Will you still be able to return 15 ECTS in S1 of approved courses offered by a partner institution?

Yes

No

Return 15 ECTS in S1 of approved courses offered by partner institution*

Do you expect to be able to return 15 ECTS in S2 of approved courses offered by a partner institution?

Yes

No

Complete YA Essay for relevant language in S1 in lieu of 15 ECTS, to be submitted in December 2020*

You have two options:

Option A

Option B

Complete YA Essay for relevant language in S1 in lieu of 15 ECTS, to be submitted by **7 January 2021***

AND

Complete YA Essay for relevant language in S2 in lieu of 15 ECTS, to be submitted by **15 April 2021**

(or, if circumstances allow: Return 15 ECTS in S2 of approved courses offered by partner institution)*

Dissertation preparation in Year 3 (20 UoE credits), with the first submission due start of Year 4 (worth 10% of the final mark)

AND

Completed dissertation in the target language due towards the end of Year 4. In total, dissertation preparation and completion are worth 40 UoE credits.

(If circumstances do allow you to pursue Erasmus (or equivalent) study in S2, you can still do so, but the ECTS marks from the partner institution will not be used towards your final marks in Edinburgh, as you will be doing the dissertation instead)

+ Current plan for S2: Return 15 ECTS in S2 of approved courses offered by partner institution (if circumstances allow).*

(Otherwise: complete YA Essay for relevant language in S2 in lieu of 15 ECTS, to be submitted by **15 April 2021***)

+ MEL Long Essay during Year 4 (20 UoE credits)

* For students in these categories, the grades for the best 15 out of 30 ECTS over the year will be converted and will be worth 20 UoE credits (for the course 'MEL Year Abroad Assessment').

If you submit a YA Essay in lieu of 15 ECTS (in either semester) it will be treated as if it were 15 of those 30 ECTS and, if to your benefit, it will be used among your best 15 ECTS.