

Admission requirements for the language choice

- bachelor programme Hotel Management (start in September 2025)

As the hospitality industry is international by nature, it goes without saying that studying foreign languages will be an integral and important part of your studies at BUas the Academy of Hotel Management.

Besides proficiency in **English** – today's leading language in the hospitality industry, you are required to select and study **another foreign language**, different from your mother tongue.

The Academy of Hotel Management offers language courses in (Business) English, **French, German, Spanish and Dutch** (only for non-native speakers). English being compulsory, students are required to select one extra foreign language.

Besides proficiency in English, prospective students need to prove a certain level of language proficiency in either French, German or Spanish (mostly 'HAVO 5' or their international equivalent). This implies that students need to **meet certain entry requirements**.

In other words, students can continue to study the modern foreign language from secondary school. Languages will be taught at an 'advanced' level, and students need to meet the formal requirements.

In a nutshell, students can go for the 'obvious' choice and continue their modern language from secondary school. If they decide to opt for another foreign language, they need to meet the entry requirements. **Proficiency in either French (B1), German (B1) and Spanish (A2.2)** will have to be proven by a certificate or show the obtained level on their diploma, from previous education. Only Dutch (for non-native speakers) can be chosen without entry requirements.

As all foreign languages will be taught simultaneously, it is not possible to combine 3 or more foreign languages within the course programme. In case a student wishes to follow an extra language, they have to contact us and discuss this with the lecturers involved, at the start of the academic year.

Students who wish to obtain an exemption from either language, should contact the board of examiners by email AHFboardofexaminers@buas.nl no later than two weeks after the start of the academic programme.

1 Dutch for Internationals

The Dutch language course starts as from the first week of September, from the start. And will be offered to all international students, no prior knowledge is required.

2 Spanish

Spanish will be taught at intermediate level. This means that students who select Spanish as a second language will need to prove their proficiency before being admitted to the course. If you doubt whether your level matches the level taught, please contact the academy prior the start of the programme

3 French

French is taught at intermediate level. This means that students who select French as a second language will need to prove their proficiency before being admitted to the course. If you doubt whether your level matches the level taught, please contact the academy prior the start of the programme.

4 German

Like French & Spanish, German is taught at intermediate level too. This means that students who select German as a second language will need to prove their proficiency before being admitted to the course. If you doubt whether your level matches the level taught, please contact the academy prior the start of the programme.