



## Training and Testing for Accreditation

### Exam Courses

For the past 20 years, one of the key performance criteria of International House Porto has been the record of student success in external examinations. Every year large numbers of students pass exams and obtain internationally recognised qualifications after following courses with IH Porto. This year we are offering students in local companies the opportunity to follow a language course with the objective of passing an exam and obtaining an internationally recognised qualification. These exam courses are available in:

- English (General and Business)
- French
- German (General and Business)
- Spanish

The ALTE framework is a useful method to understand the comparative levels of exams in different European languages. Six levels of language proficiency are identified and are described by a series of Can-do statements which facilitate understanding of what each level means in relation to what language users actually do. Here is a list of the exam courses we are offering and the ALTE level to which they correspond:

ALTE Level	General English	Business English	French	German	Spanish
Breakthrough			DELF A1		
1			DELF A2		
2		BEC Preliminary	DELF B1	Zertifikat Deutsch	DELE (Nivel Inicial)
3	FCE	BEC Vantage ILEC	DELF B2	Zertifikat Deutsch für den Beruf	DELE (Nivel Intermedio)
4	CAE	BEC Advanced ILEC	DALF C1		DELE (Nivel Superior)
5	CPE		DALF C2		

In each case it is possible to take the exam in Porto, and there are typically more than one opportunity per year to take the exam (for example in May/June and November/December). All students who are interested in following an exam course will need to take an initial test. The results of this test will determine the student's current level of readiness to take the exam, and consequently the duration of the exam preparation course. Therefore, courses may be of 45 hours, 1-year or 2-year duration. If you would like further information about the courses or exams, please do not hesitate to contact us.