

Credit Hour Policy

Student earns credits for completing study activities of different nature. Every course represents a certain number of credits. Credits quantify the scope of the course. It corresponds to the work represented in intended learning outcomes and verified by evidence of student achievement.

Historically, LIGS University (“LIGS”) was using credit hours (based on average amount of time needed by student to complete the learning outcomes) rather than credits. For the sake of compatibility and possibility of an easy and transparent transfer, LIGS has adopted credits rather than credit hours.

Typically, 3 credits are awarded upon successful completion of the course that consists of independent and guided study (learning outcomes are checked by an online test) and an independent seminar work. Upon passing a test, student is awarded one point, upon successful completion of the seminar work, student is awarded two points. Three points in total mean a successful completion of the course and award of three credits. There are several special cases, namely webinars and conferences, where active participation totals 3 credits, practical training worth 6 credits and masters’ thesis defense worth 6 credits.

To graduate from a program at LIGS a student must complete all compulsory study activities and earn a total of 45 credit hours.

Specifically, student must

- i) complete the common base module consisting of 6 courses, i.e. obtaining total of 18 credits;
- ii) complete a minimum of 6 courses (or 5 courses if practical training is one of them) from the specialization module, i.e. obtaining total of at least 18 credits;
- iii) earn 3 credits by active participation in both webinars (half point each) and conferences (two points each); minimum of three points earns 3 credits, *e.g.* two webinars and one conference participations satisfy the requirement; and
- iv) write and defend a masters’ thesis.

Following table outlines the study program:

Type of Activity	Course Name	Number of Credits
COMMON BASE	501 Management	3
	502 Marketing	3
	503 Finance	3
	504 Communication	3
	505 Intercultural Communication	3
	506 Human Resources	3
SPECIALIZATION (Choose 18 credits)	601 Project Management	3
	602 Strategic Management	3
	603 E-Commerce	3
	604 Supply Chain and Logistics	3
	605 Financial Management	3
	606 Global Marketing	3
	607 Data Science	3
	608 Crisis Management	3
	609 Corporate Social Responsibility	3
	610 HR Planning and Development	3
	611 Risk Management	3
	612 IT Management and Cybersecurity	3
	613 Key Account Management	3
	614 Practical Training	6
	615 Special Electives	3
	621 Webinars 622 Conferences	3
	631 Thesis Defence	6
Required Total Number of Credits		45

Student can register for the thesis (course 631) after completing all 500 - level courses. It can be defended only after 600, 610 and 620 - level courses are completed.

Credits are recorded in the Student Electronic Records by the Office of the Registrar within the Student Services Center.