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Subject: **Student eligibility for exam accommodations**

**Student Olim (new immigrants)/tourists:**
1. Students who are Olim/tourists who have been in Israel up to seven years from the date of Aliyah, are eligible in all degree programs for a 25% extension on exam time but no more than 30 minutes per exam and with no penalty for spelling errors. To obtain test accommodation approval, please contact Sara Luzon, head of the Department for Olim. Requests are to be sent via email to: olim.wellbeing@biu.ac.il
2. Students who are Olim/tourists and are native English speakers studying in English language programs are not eligible for extra time.
3. Students who are Olim/tourists, studying Linguistics and English Literature or language courses (other than English as a Foreign Language) are not be eligible for extra time on exams.
4. Olim students/tourists, studying towards an accounting certificate up to 10 years in Israel from the date of Aliyah, are eligible for a 30-minute time extension overall for each section of exams. Test accommodation approval will be granted by Sara Luzon, head of the Department for Olim. Requests are to be sent via email to: olim.wellbeing@biu.ac.il
5. Olim students/tourists, up to 10 years in Israel from the date of Aliyah, are eligible for a 30-minute time extension overall for each section of exams in accounting certificate studies. Test accommodation approval will be granted by Sara Luzon, head of the Department for Olim.
6. Students who are Olim/tourists may use a dictionary or a soundless electronic dictionary (and does not allow internet access), except for language courses. Use of a dictionary requires course instructor approval.
7. Students who are Olim/tourists who have been in Israel for up to seven years from the date of Aliyah, and who are in their first year of their bachelor’s or master’s degree and have not taken a degree in Hebrew before, are eligible for translation of their exams into English. Each student is eligible for translation of up to four exams per semester. Exercising this right is conditional on approval by the instructor and incurs a fee to be paid through epay. To obtain authorization for a translated exam, contact the Department for Olim in the office of the Dean of Students olim.wellbeing@biu.ac.il.
8. Students taking an exam translated into English are not eligible for extended time on that exam.
9. Students who have difficulties with Hebrew beyond the accommodation eligibility period may contact the Department for Olim to determine whether their eligibility may be extended by up to three additional years.

**Pregnant/lactating students:**
1. Pregnant students are eligible for a 25% extension on exam time in addition to the right to a restroom break. To obtain authorization, contact the Office of Student Support and Accessibility through the In-Bar portal
(administrative requests-submit request- accommodations category- request for pregnant student accommodations). For in-person exams only, a medical authorization may be presented to the proctor.

2. Lactating students with infants up to the age of six months are eligible for a 20-minute extension for exams that are three hours or longer, to nurse or express during the course of the exam, and provided that a request was issued for this at least 5 working days before the exam. This extension is additional to any other extensions for which the student is eligible. Contact the Exam Office via the contact form, attaching a birth certificate. Click here for the form.

**General remarks:**

2. No cumulative extensions will be granted, except in the case of lactating students.
3. Accommodations granting extension of exam time also apply to quizzes.

The Bar-Ilan Dean of Students Office

wishes you the best of luck in your studies

and calls upon you to contact us with any question/comment:

- The Department for Olim: olim.wellbeing@biu.ac.il, tel: 077-3643585 077-3643586
- The Office of Student Support and Accessibility: negishut.student@biu.ac.il, tel: 03-5318491