GRADE AND CREDIT CONVERSION – MSU Office for Education Abroad

PROGRAM: Universidad Politecnica de Madrid (Madrid, Spain)

SPONSOR: College of Engineering

UPM Scale	MSU Grade Equivalent	ECTS Units	MSU Credits
8.3-10	4.0	2	1
7.1-8.2	3.5	6	3
6.1-7.0	3.0	8	4
5.1-6.0	2.5		
5.0	2.0		
4.0-4.9	1.5		
3.0-3.9	1.0		
0-2.9	0.0		

Other academic information:

Student work is evaluated in terms of ECTS (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System). One academic year corresponds to 60 ECTS-credits that are equivalent to 1500-1800 hours of study. This means that each ECTS corresponds to 25-30 hours of study for the average student.

Credit conversion is based on a course-by-course basis. Not based on the sum of credit earned.

MSU credit conversion is based on ECTS credits. ECTS stands for European Credit Transfer System and provides a way of measuring and comparing learning achievements, and transferring them from one institution to another. ECTS credits are a relative value. The ECTS credit is 50% of the US credit value: i.e., ECTS credits x ½ = MSU credits. In ECTS, 60 credit points represent the workload of a year of study, 30 credit points are allocated to a semester and 20 credit points to a term. If a course yields credits resulting in partial MSU credit (e.g., 1.5 MSU credits), it is rounded up to the next full credit (e.g., 2 MSU credits).

Useful Websites:

http://www.upm.es/sfs/Rectorado/Vicerrectorado%20de%20Alumnos/Acceso/Acess Information.pdf

