

GO LSE Study abroad 2025/26 | How to calculate your average mark across all first-year courses

To calculate your average mark across all first-year courses, follow these steps carefully:

1. **Separate your courses into full-unit and half-unit courses.**
 - Full-unit courses have a unit value of 1.0, while half-unit courses have a unit value of 0.5.
2. **Multiply each course mark by its unit value** (1.0 for full-unit courses and 0.5 for half-unit courses). This will give you the weighted mark for each course.
3. **Add up the weighted marks** for all your courses.
4. **Add up the unit value for all your courses**
5. **To calculate the average across all your courses, divide the total weighted mark by the sum of the unit value** (e.g., 4.0 if you took four full-unit courses, or 5.5 if you took four full-unit courses and three half-unit course).

This calculation will give you an accurate average mark that reflects the correct weighting of both full and half-unit courses (see example below).

Course description	Course Mark	Unit Value	Weighted mark (Course Mark x Unit Value)
Course 1	70	1	70
Course 2	50	1	50
Course 3	60	0.5	30
Course 4	50	1	50
Course 5	51	1	51
Course 6	78	0.5	39
LSE 100	80	0.5	40
Total		5.5	330
Average (330 ÷ 5.5)			60

The average mark for the student above is 60.