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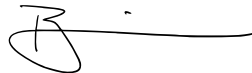## Certificate of Achievement

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STUDY REQUIREMENT
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LEARNING OUTCOMES
- Identify the basic principles involved in reliable and valid test design
- Demonstrate an understanding of different types of tests and how they can be used
- Evaluate assessment needs of students within a given context
- Explain some practical techniques for assessing different language skills and knowledge

SYLLABUS
- **Principles of language assessment**
  Formative and summative assessment
  Positive washback
  Assessment and testing
- **Assessing speaking**
  Formats, tasks and settings
  Rating scales
- **Assessing writing**
  Assessment tasks
  Marking criteria
  Feedback
- **Assessing reading**
  Meaningfulness and authenticity
  Developing reading tests
  Scoring reading tests
- **Assessing listening**
  Task types for listening assessment
  Scoring listening tests
- **Assessing grammar and vocabulary**
  Principles of testing grammar and vocabulary
- **Test development**
  Assessment and course planning
  Approaches to testing
  The test development cycle
  Evaluating the effectiveness of a test