New MA Programs in Iranian and Persianate Studies

The Institute of Iranian Studies at the University of Göttingen will offer two new MA programs in Iranian and Persianate Studies from autumn on.

The programs have a specific focus on Indo-Persian studies, including manuscript studies. Courses on modern Iran, history, language, literature and art are also part of the program. The institute has several international partners. It strongly encourages field trips and organizes international student workshops, summerschools and excursions.

The language of instruction is English. MA programs at the University of Göttingen are 2-year courses, corresponding to 120 C. Iranian Studies are offered as full MA program of 78 C or as a 42 C major subject in combination with one other subject worth 36 C or two subjects worth 18 C.

MA packages in Iranian and Persianate studies of 36 C and 18 C also exist. They require the knowledge of German (level: DSH 2).

Requirements for the MA programs (78 C or 42 C)

- BA degree (180 C) in Iranian studies or a neighboring discipline, with a grade of not less than 3,0.
- At least 50 C in Iranian studies, out of which at least 36 C in New Persian language for non-native speakers of Persian. Basic knowledge of Iranian history and culture.
- Sufficient knowledge of the language of instruction: C1 level in English (according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages) or B2 level in English
 + DSH-2 in German.

Knowledge of German is not required for the program. Course papers and theses may be submitted in English or German.

Please, consider that you have to combine the 42 C program with one or two other disciplines (36 C or 2 x 18 C). They will have their own reuirements, possibly including a sound knowledge of German.

Application

Guidelines for the application are found under the following link:

https://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/46858.html

Curriculum:

Single honours MA in Iranian and Persianate Studies (78 C)

The curriculum consists of a range of compulsory and elective courses.

The compulsory courses (36 C) are based on intensive source studies. They therefore require a sound knowledge of both cotemporary and pre-modern Persian.

One part of the elective courses (at least 18 C) are offered by the institute and deal with varying aspects of Iran and the Persianate World, including summerschools, student trips etc. The great majority of these courses are taught in English.

The other part of the elective courses (up to 24 C) are courses from neighbouring subjects with a clear connection to Iranian and Persianate Studies, e.g. in the field of religious studies, digital humanities or modern Indian studies. The language of instruction in all these courses is English, too.

MA in Iranian and Persianate Studies (42 C)

The curriculum consists of a range of compulsory and elective courses.

The compulsory courses (24 C) are based on intensive source studies. They therefore require a sound knowledge of both cotemporary and pre-modern Persian.

Elective courses (18 C) dealing with varying aspects of Iran and the Persianate World, including summerschools, student trips etc. The great majority of these courses are taught in English.

36 C MA package

Requirements:

- At least 30 C in Iranian studies, out of which at least 18 C in New Persian language for non-native speakers of Persian.
- Basic knowledge of Iranian history and culture.
- Knowledge of German (DSH 2 level)

Curriculum:

Obligatory courses (18 C): Advanced Persian 1 + 2

Elective courses (18 C) dealing with varying aspects of Iran and the Persianate World, including summerschools, student trips etc. Many courses are taught in English.

18 C MA package

No requirements in the field of Iranian Studies. Knowledge of German (DSH 2 level)

Obligatory course (12 C): Introduction into Iranian history and culture

Elective courses (6 C) dealing with varying aspects of Iran and the Persianate World. Many courses are taught in English.