# **MA-Linguistics**

# Program: information for teachers

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Regulations: Links

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Overview

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## Teaching program: Overview

Our teaching program has a very simple structure:

			M.Ling	WiSe	SoSe
		Foundations option 1	111	2 SWS	2 SWS
compulsory		option 2		4 SWS	
		(2 courses+1 colloquium)			
200		Methods (2 courses+1 colloquium)	121/2	2 SWS	2 SWS
		Theory (2 courses+1 colloquium)	131/2	2 SWS	2 SWS
40	profile building	Text analysis & discourse processing	2xy	2 SWS	2 SWS
ctive		Typology & fieldwork	Зху	2 SWS	2 SWS
/ ele		Language change	4xy	2 SWS	2 SWS
compulsory elective		Sign langs & visual communication	5xy	2 SWS	2 SWS
	language competence	Profile: Language Competence, Various courses, SPW, Faculty, ZESS (6 C)	141		

# Profile building modules

Each profile-building module comes in four variants:

code	title	contents	С	examination
x11	x: foundations	course & ind. studies	9	various forms of scient. comm.
x12	x: foundations	course	6	(poster/talk/portfolio)
x21	x: research	course & ind. studies	9	term paper
x22	x: research	course	6	

#### à 4 profiles:

profile	modules
Text analysis & discourse processing	211/212/221/222
Typology & fieldwork	311/312/321/322
Language change	411/412/421/422
Sign langs & visual communication	511/512/521/522

- The 9C modules (x11/x12) are the ordinary option.
- The 6C modules (x12/x22) are for students of MA-Linguistics as module packet (42C, 36C, 18C).

The difference of 3C lies in that the 9C modules contain a component "Independent Studies" (see below).

## How to select modules for profile-building courses?

NON-CONSECUTIVE: if the courses do not have profile-related prerequisites, they may be

opened for x11/x12/x21/x22 (every course). The difference between foundations/research in this case is reflected on the *exam type* (a soft form of scientific communication (poster, talk, etc.) in *Foundations*, a

paper to complete the profile-building unit in Research.

CONSECUTIVE: if two courses should be consecutive, this can be reflected in this system

with opening the first one for x11/x12 and the second one for x21/x22.

### Independent studies: ideas

recommended activities:

- organizing a reading group
- creating a student project (we may offer a list of ideas relating to our research projects)
- learning a special tool or a theory in a group with consultation of a teacher (e.g., Praat, HPSG, Python, bidirectional OT or R)
- internships in research projects at LinG (pool/list of current possibilities)
- internships outside the university

We set up a website with ideas here:

https://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/681621.html

## Languages: English/German

The program should be studied without knowledge of German, that means that the minimum of courses for completing this program must be available in English.

The program can be easily enriched with courses in German from the different departments; this is an added value: there are many MA students speaking or learning German who will appreciate scientific offers in German language.

# Sample Teaching program

Just a sample program based on the courses in the past terms:

M.Ling	title	lg	WiSe	SoSe	
111	Foundations	EN	Syntax (Hedde), Semantics (Markus)		
12x	Methods	EN	Inferential statistics (Thomas), Postdocs of the English Dpt., Computation (Guido)		
		DE		Descriptive statistics (Thomas)	
13x	Theory	EN	various courses semantics/syntax (Hedde/Clemens), Phonological theory, Prosody/Syntax interface (Götz/Stavros)		
		DE	various courses (German/Romance/Slavic Dpt)		
2xy	Text	EN	Clemens (Dynamic Semantics, DRT, etc.); a course from German Dpt (Anke?)	Information structure (Stavros)	
		DE	Anke's courses, further courses on discourse, text, information structure in the dpts		
Зху	Typology	EN	Yucatec Maya (Stavros)	DP typology (Georg) Agreement (Hedde)	
		DE	various courses (German/Romance/Slavic Dpt)		
4xy	Change	EN	Change in Germanic (Marco)	Vedic (Götz)	
		DE	DE various courses (German/Romance/Slavic I		
5ху	Sign lgs	EN	various courses (Markus & SignLab)		
		DE			
	Languages	EN	Certificate Language Documentation and Analysis (SPW), German as foreign language, occasional courses in English in Faculty/ZESS		
		DE	various courses of the faculty/ZESS in English		