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UNIVERSITET

Faculty of the Humanities and Theology

Master of Arts (Two Years) in Language and Linguistics

Course Details

Swedish title of the programme	<i>Språk och språkvetenskap</i>
English title of the programme	<i>Master of Arts in Language and Linguistics</i>
Main field	<i>Language and Linguistics</i>
Specialisations	<i>1. General Linguistics 2. Arabic/Semitic Languages 3. English 4. Phonetics 5. French 6. Greek/Modern Greek 7. Italian 8. Japanese 9. Chinese 10. Latin 11. Spanish 12. Swedish/Scandinavian Languages 13. German.</i>
Scope of programme in higher education credits	<i>120</i>
Cycle (1st, 2nd or 3rd)	<i>2nd</i>
Programme code	<i>HASPV</i>
Details of approval of course	<i>Syllabus approved by the pro-dean for first-cycle studies at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology 15th October 2009.</i>
Details of changes approved	

2. Description of Programme of Study

The Master of Arts programme in Language and Linguistics is intended for students with

either a Swedish or international bachelor's degree who are interested in language and linguistics. The objectives of the programme are to increase the student's knowledge and understanding of language in its broad sense and theoretical understanding of linguistic issues. It also aims to develop the student's language proficiency in and knowledge of the specific language in which he/she has chosen to specialise. The student can choose from 12 specialisations: General Linguistics, English, Phonetics, French, Greek/Modern Greek, Italian, Japanese, Chinese, Latin, Spanish, Swedish/Scandinavian Languages and German. The programme consists of compulsory courses common to all specialisations, compulsory courses for each specialisation, compulsory elective courses and optional courses. Optional courses are chosen in consultation with the programme coordinator. The languages of instruction are Swedish, English and other languages according to the area of specialisation. The final degree project consists of a thesis on language or linguistics with an in-depth study into one of the areas of specialisation. The programme can be seen as a preparatory course for further academic studies or for a future career in an area related to languages. Students are also offered the opportunity to complete a one-year Master's degree within the programme.

For the degree of Master of Arts (Two Years)

3. Learning Outcomes

For a degree of Master of Arts (Two Years) in Language and Linguistics students must

- *demonstrate knowledge and understanding of language and linguistics, including both broad knowledge of linguistics and substantially deeper knowledge within the selected area of specialisation*
- *demonstrate knowledge of the languages of the world, the genealogy of languages and language families as well as basic typological variation*
- *demonstrate knowledge of the basic processes behind language production and language perception*
- *demonstrate deeper insights into current linguistic research and development work*
- *be able to apply methods of linguistics at an advanced level*
- *demonstrate an ability to critically and systematically integrate knowledge and to analyse, assess and deal with complex phenomena, issues and situations, even when limited information is available*
- *demonstrate an ability to critically, independently and creatively identify and formulate research issues and to plan, using appropriate methods, carry out advanced tasks within specified time limits, so as to contribute to the development of knowledge and to evaluate this work*
- *demonstrate an ability to clearly present and discuss their conclusions and the knowledge and arguments behind them, in dialogue with different groups, orally and in writing, using the language of the selected specialisation, in national and international contexts*
- *demonstrate the skill required to participate in research and development work or to work independently in other advanced contexts, to work professionally with language, with the teaching of language and international relations*
- *demonstrate the knowledge and proficiency required to take responsibility for, evaluate and develop activities in which language competence is an integral part.*
- *demonstrate an ability to make assessments in relation to scientific, social and*

ethical aspects relevant to linguistics, and demonstrate an awareness of ethical aspects of research and developmental work

- *demonstrate an ability to assess, summarise and evaluate information from various sources, within the chosen area of specialisation for the degree project*
- *demonstrate knowledge of the place of linguistics in the context of other sciences*
- *demonstrate insight into the potential and limitations of science, its role in society and people's responsibility for how it is used*
- *demonstrate an ability to identify their need of further knowledge and to take responsibility for developing their knowledge.*

4. Information about the Courses

The Master of Arts (Two Years) programme consists of:

- 1. Compulsory courses common to all specialisations.*
- 2. Compulsory courses for each specialisation*
- 3. Compulsory elective courses on the programme.*
- 4. Optional Courses. Students may select a first or second cycle course within or outside the chosen area of specialisation and within or outside their own faculty or university. In order to ensure that the course can be accredited towards the degree the student must consult the programme coordinator before the final selection is made.*

If one or several of the compulsory courses of the programme are included in the first-cycle degree of the student, this course or these courses are replaced by another/other second-cycle course(s).

Compulsory courses common to all specialisations, 37.5 credits.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><i>1. General Linguistics: Philosophy of Science for Linguists, 7.5 credits,</i><i>2. Language and Linguistics: Master's (Two Years) Thesis, 30 credits.</i>
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Compulsory courses for each specialisation, compulsory elective courses and optional courses, 82.5 credits.	<i>See below.</i>
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Specialisation 1: General Linguistics

Compulsory courses, 37.5 credits.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><i>1. Phonetics: Phonology, 7.5 credits,</i><i>2. General Linguistics: Pragmatics, 7.5 credits,</i><i>3. General Linguistics: The Analysis of Linguistic Behaviour, 7.5 credits,</i><i>4. General Linguistics: Language and the Brain, 7.5 credits,</i><i>5. General Linguistics: Sociolinguistics and Multilingualism, 7.5 credits.</i>
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Compulsory elective courses, 15 credits.	<i>Students select compulsory elective courses totalling 15 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.</i>
Optional courses, 30 credits.	<i>The remaining 30 credits consist of optional courses which are chosen in consultation with the programme coordinator.</i>
Specialisation 2: Arabic/Semitic Languages	
Compulsory courses, 30 credits	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Arabic: Arabic Non-Fiction I, 7.5 credits</i> 2. <i>Arabic: Arabic Poetry and Fiction I, 7.5 credits</i> 3. <i>Arabic: Arabic Non-Fiction II, 7.5 credits</i> 4. <i>Arabic: Arabic Poetry and Fiction II, 7.5 credits</i>
Compulsory elective courses, 22.5 credits	<i>Students select compulsory elective courses totalling 22.5 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.</i>
Optional courses, 30 credits	<i>The remaining 30 credits consist of optional courses which are chosen in consultation with the programme coordinator.</i>
Specialisation 3: English	
Compulsory courses, 30 credits.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>English: Descriptive Grammar, 7.5 credits,</i> 2. <i>English: Semantics and Pragmatics, 7.5 credits,</i> 3. <i>English: The History of Language, 7.5 credits,</i> 4. <i>English: Linguistic Variation in English, 7.5 credits.</i>
Compulsory elective courses, 22.5 credits.	<i>In addition, students select compulsory elective courses totalling 22.5 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.</i>
Optional courses, 30 credits.	<i>The remaining 30 credits consist of optional courses which are chosen in consultation with the programme coordinator.</i>
Specialisation 4: Phonetics	
Compulsory courses, 37.5 credits.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Phonetics: Phonology, 7.5 credits,</i> 2. <i>General Linguistics: Pragmatics, 7.5 credits,</i> 3. <i>General Linguistics: The Analysis of Linguistic</i>

Behaviour, 7.5 credits,
4. Phonetics: Experimental Phonetics, 7.5 credits,
5. Phonetics: Sounds of Speech of the World, 7.5 credits.

Compulsory elective courses, 15 credits.

In addition, students select compulsory elective courses totalling 15 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.

Optional courses, 30 credits.

The remaining 30 credits consist of optional courses which are chosen in consultation with the programme coordinator.

Specialisation 5: French

Compulsory courses, 30 credits.

Students may choose four of the following courses:
1. French: Spoken French – Intercultural Dialogue, 7.5 credits,
2. French: Spoken French – Political Rhetoric, 7.5 credits,
3. French: The Linguistic System of French, 7.5 credits,
4. French: French Language Learning, 7.5 credits,
5. French: The French Language in Multilingual Settings, 7.5 credits,
6. French: Modern French Thinkers – Biographies and Texts, 7.5 credits.

Compulsory elective Courses, 22.5 credits.

In addition, students select compulsory elective courses totalling 22.5 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.

Optional courses, 30 credits.

The remaining 30 credits consist of optional courses which are chosen in consultation with the programme coordinator.

Specialisation 6: Greek/Modern Greek

Compulsory courses, 30 credits.

1. The History of the Greek Language – from Antiquity to the Present, 7.5 credits,
2. The History of Greek Literature – from Antiquity to the Present, 7.5 credits,
3. Greek Literature, Advanced Course, 15 credits, OR
Modern Greek Literature, Advanced Course, 15 credits.

Compulsory elective courses, 22.5 credits.

In addition, students select compulsory elective courses totalling 22.5 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.

Optional courses, 30 credits.

The remaining 30 credits consist of optional courses which are chosen in consultation with the programme coordinator.

**Specialisation 7:
Italian**

Compulsory courses, 30 credits.

*1. Italian: Written Proficiency, 7.5 credits,
2. Italian: Linguistic Variation in the Italian Language, 7.5 credits,
3. Italian: The Synchrony and Diachrony of the Italian Language, 7.5 credits,
4. Italian: Italian Literature, 7.5 credits.*

Compulsory elective courses, 22.5 credits,

In addition, students select compulsory elective courses totalling 22.5 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.

Optional courses, 30 credits.

The remaining 30 credits consist of optional courses which are chosen in consultation with the programme coordinator.

**Specialisation 8:
Japanese**

Compulsory courses, 30 credits.

*1. Japanese: Text Course in Literature and Linguistics I, 15 credits,
2. Japanese: Text Course in Literature and Linguistics II, 15 credits.*

Compulsory elective Courses, 22.5 credits.

In addition, students select compulsory elective courses totalling 22.5 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.

Optional courses, 30 credits.

The remaining 30 credits consist of optional courses which are chosen in consultation with the programme coordinator.

**Specialisation 9:
Chinese**

Compulsory courses, 30 credits.

*1. Chinese: Chinese Non-Fiction, 15 credits,
2. Chinese: Chinese Modern Literature, 15 credits.*

Compulsory elective courses, 22.5 credits.,

In addition, students select compulsory elective courses totalling 22.5 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.

Optional courses, 30

The remaining 30 credits consist of optional courses which

credits. *are chosen in consultation with the programme coordinator.*

Specialisation 10: Latin

Compulsory courses, 30 credits. *1. Latin: Classical Prose and Poetry, 15 credits,
2. Latin: Medieval and Neo-Latin Prose and Poetry, 15 credits.*

Compulsory elective courses, 22.5 credits. *In addition, students select compulsory elective courses totalling 22.5 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.*

Optional courses, 30 credits. *The remaining 30 credits consist of optional courses which are chosen in consultation with the programme coordinator.*

Specialisation 11: Spanish

Compulsory courses, 30 credits *1. Spanish: The History of the Spanish Language and Early Texts, 15 credits,
2. Spanish: Latin American Literature, Reading Course, 15 credits.*

Compulsory elective courses, 22.5 credits. *In addition, students select compulsory elective courses totalling 22.5 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.*

Optional courses, 30 credits. *The remaining 30 credits consist of optional courses which are chosen in consultation with the programme coordinator.*

Specialisation 12: Swedish/Scandinavian Languages

Compulsory courses, 30 credits. *Students may choose four of the following courses:
1. Grammar, Level 4, 7.5 credits,
2. Grammar in Theory and Practice, Level 4, 7.5 credits,
3. Semantics and Lexicology, Level 4, 7.5 credits,
4. The Theory of Word Formation, 7.5 credits,
5. The Theory of Language Change, 7.5 credits,
6. Literary Stylistics, Level 4, 7.5 credits,
7. Discourse Analysis, 7.5 credits,
8. The History of the Scandinavian Languages, Level 4, 7.5 credits,
9. Variation in Scandinavian Languages, 7.5 credits.*

Compulsory elective courses, 22.5 credits. *In addition, students select compulsory elective courses totalling 22.5 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.*

Optional courses, 30 credits. *The remaining 30 credits consist of optional courses which are chosen in consultation with the programme coordinator.*

**Specialisation 13:
German**

Compulsory courses, 30 credits. *1. German: Modern Linguistic Theory within German Philology, 7.5 credits,
2. German: Pragmatics, 7.5 credits,
3. German: The Structure of Information, 7.5 credits,
4. German: Text Analysis, 7.5 credits.*

Compulsory elective courses, 22.5 credits. *In addition, students select compulsory elective courses totalling 22.5 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.*

Optional courses, 30 credits. *The remaining 30 credits consist of optional courses which are chosen in consultation with the programme coordinator.*

Order of courses in the programme: start dates and availability in the academic year *The programme starts in the autumn term every year.*

Schematic layout of the programme

*Term 1: The Philosophy of Science for Linguists, 7.5 credits,
Compulsory courses, compulsory elective courses or optional courses, 22.5 credits.*

Term 2: Compulsory courses, compulsory elective courses or optional courses, 30 credits.

Term 3: Compulsory courses, compulsory elective courses or optional courses, 30 credits.

Term 4: Language and Linguistics: Master's (Two Years) Thesis, 30 credits.

5. Details of the Degree

1. Title of the degree in Swedish *Filosofie masterexamen*
2. Title of the degree in English *Master of Arts (Two Years)*

6 Admission Requirements and Selection Criteria

1. Admission requirements *To be eligible for the programme the student must have a Bachelor's degree, or the equivalent, with a major in the subject of specialisation chosen for the Master's programme. In addition, English B from the Swedish Secondary School is required, or the equivalent.*

International students are required to have a Bachelor's degree from an English speaking university, or IELTS-test with the average result of 6.0 and no section scoring less than 5.5, or TOEFL test with a minimum result of 550 (computer based test 213, internet based 79) or Cambridge/Oxford Advanced or Proficiency level, or O level/GCSE.

In order to specialise in English an average result of 7.5 is required in IELTS tests (Academic), and no section scoring less than 7.0.

2. Selection criteria *The following selection criteria are taken into consideration: Bachelor's degree essay or the equivalent, grades of relevant courses, interviews.*

For a degree of Master of Arts (One Year)

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2. Language and Linguistics: Master's (One Year) Thesis, 15 credits.*

Compulsory courses for each specialisation, 15 credits. *Students select courses totalling 15 credits from a list of compulsory courses for the chosen area of specialisation. The list is made available by the programme coordinator.*

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Compulsory elective courses, 7.5 credits. *Students select compulsory elective courses totalling 7.5 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.*

Optional courses, 15 credits. *The Master of Arts (One Year) programme includes optional courses comprising 15 credits. Students may select a first or second cycle course within or outside the chosen area of specialisation and within or outside his/her own faculty or university. In order to ensure that the course can be accredited towards the degree the student must consult the programme coordinator before the final selection is made.*

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Schematic layout of the programme *Term 1: Philosophy of Science for Linguists, 7.5 credits, Compulsory courses, compulsory elective courses or optional courses, 22.5 credits.*

*Term 2: Compulsory or optional courses, 15 credits.
Master's (One Year) Thesis, 15 credits.*

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