



LUND UNIVERSITY
Joint Faculties of Humanities and Theology

Programme syllabus for the Master of Arts in Language and Linguistics (2018)

1. Programme details

<i>English title of the programme</i>	Master of Arts in Language and Linguistics
<i>Swedish title of the programme</i>	Språk och språkvetenskap
<i>Main field</i>	Language and Linguistics
<i>Specialisations</i>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. General linguistics 2. Arabic/Semitic Languages 3. English 4. Phonetics 5. French 6. Greek (Ancient/Byzantine) 7. Italian 8. Japanese 9. Chinese 10. Cognitive semiotics 11. Latin 12. Modern Greek 13. Rhetoric 14. Romanian 15. Russian 16. Spanish 17. Swedish/Scandinavian Languages 18. German
<i>Cycle</i>	Second
<i>Credits</i>	60 (one-year Master) 120 (two-year Master)
<i>Programme code</i>	HASPV
<i>Details of approval</i>	Syllabus approved by the pro-dean for first- and second-cycle studies at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology 15 October 2009.

Details of changes approved

Changes approved by the pro-dean for first- and second-cycle studies at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology 12 January 2011, 14 October 2011, 1 February 2013, 14 February 2014, 13 May 2015 and 20 October 2017.

2. Programme description

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 objective of the programme is 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 several different specialisations (see above). The programme consists of compulsory courses common to all specialisations, compulsory courses for each specialisation and elective courses. Elective courses are chosen in consultation with the programme coordinator. The languages of instruction are 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 in one of the areas of specialisation. The programme can constitute 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 **Master's degree (60 credits)** within the programme. Sections 3–6 below refer to the Master's degree comprising 120 credits, and sections 7–10 to the Master's degree comprising 60 credits.

The programme starts in the autumn semester every year. Information about the specialisations currently on offer is available on the department's website.

FOR A MASTER OF ARTS (120 CREDITS)

3. Learning outcomes

For a Master of Arts (120 credits) in Language and Linguistics the student shall

- demonstrate knowledge and understanding of language and linguistics, including both broad knowledge of linguistics and a considerable degree of specialised knowledge in the selected area of specialisation
- demonstrate deep insights into current linguistic research and development work

- demonstrate an advanced ability to apply linguistics methodology
- demonstrate the ability to critically and systematically integrate knowledge and analyse, assess and deal with complex phenomena, issues and situations, even with limited information
- demonstrate the ability to identify and formulate research issues critically, autonomously and creatively as well as to plan and, using appropriate methods, undertake advanced tasks within predetermined time frames and so contribute to the formation of knowledge, as well as the ability to evaluate this work
- demonstrate the ability in speech and writing both nationally and internationally to report clearly and discuss his or her development work and research, as well as the knowledge and arguments on which they are based in dialogue with different audiences, using the language of the selected specialisation
- demonstrate the knowledge and skills required for participation in research and development work or autonomous employment in a qualified capacity concerned with language, the teaching of language and international relations
- demonstrate the knowledge and skills required to take responsibility for, evaluate and develop activities in which language competence is an integral part
- demonstrate the ability to make assessments in linguistics informed by relevant disciplinary, societal and ethical issues and also to demonstrate awareness of ethical aspects of research and developmental work
- demonstrate the ability to assess, compile 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 possibilities and limitations of research, its role in society and the responsibility of the individual for how it is used
- demonstrate the ability to identify the personal need for further knowledge and take responsibility for his or her ongoing learning.

4. Information about the courses

The Master of Arts (120 credits) programme consists of:

1. Compulsory courses common to all specialisations (45 credits)
2. Compulsory courses for each specialisation (30 credits)
3. Elective courses on the programme (45 credits). The courses must be approved by the coordinator.

If one or several of the compulsory courses of the programme are included as a compulsory course 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, 45 credits*
1. Language and Linguistics: Philosophy of Science for Linguists, 7.5 credits
 2. Language and Linguistics: Fundamental Linguistic Methods, 7.5 credits
 3. Language and Linguistics: Degree project, 30 credits.

Compulsory courses for each specialisation. See below.

Specialisation 1: General Linguistics

Compulsory courses, 30 or 60 credits

Depending on the student's prior knowledge in the subject of General Linguistics, the student is to take 30–60 credits in the subject of General Linguistics/Linguistics. If the student holds a Bachelor's degree in Linguistics (General Linguistics or Phonetics), the student may choose second-cycle courses comprising 30 credits. If the student holds a Bachelor's degree in Language, the following first-cycle courses are compulsory as well:

1. World Languages, 7.5 credits
2. Semantics and Pragmatics, 7.5 credits
3. Grammar, 7.5 credits
4. Prosody, 7.5 credits

If any of these courses are included in the degree of the student, the course will be replaced following a decision by the coordinator.

Elective courses, 45 or 15 credits

Students who hold a Bachelor's degree in Linguistics will select elective courses totalling 45 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator. Students who hold a Bachelor's degree in Language will select elective courses totalling 15 credits from the same list.

Specialisation 2: Arabic/Semitic Languages

*Compulsory courses,
30 credits*

1. Arabic: Arabic Non-Fiction I, 7.5 credits
2. Arabic: Arabic Poetry and Fiction I, 7.5 credits
3. Arabic: Arabic Non-Fiction II, 7.5 credits
4. Arabic: Arabic Poetry and Fiction II, 7.5 credits

*Elective courses,
45 credits*

Students will select elective courses totalling 45 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.

Specialisation 3: English

*Compulsory courses,
30 credits*

1. English: Descriptive Grammar, 7.5 credits
2. English: English Lexicology, 7.5 credits
3. English: The History of English, 7.5 credits
4. English: Linguistic Variation in English, 7.5 credits

*Elective courses,
45 credits*

Students will select elective courses totalling 45 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.

Specialisation 4: Phonetics

*Compulsory courses,
30 credits*

1. Phonetics: Experimental Phonetics, 7.5 credits
2. Phonetics: Phonology, 7.5 credits
3. Phonetics: Sounds of Speech of the World, 7.5 credits
4. A second-cycle course in Linguistics, 7.5 credits

*Elective courses,
45 credits*

Students will select elective courses totalling 45 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.

Specialisation 5: French

*Compulsory courses,
30 credits*

1. French: Modern Linguistic Theory Applied to French, 15 credits
2. French: Introduction to Medieval French, 7.5 credits
3. French: French Language Learning, 7.5 credits

*Elective courses,
45 credits*

Students will select elective courses totalling 45 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list

of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.

Specialisation 6: Greek (Ancient/Byzantine)

*Compulsory courses,
30 credits*

1. Greek: The History of the Greek Language from Antiquity to the Early Byzantine Period, 7.5 credits
2. Greek: The History of Greek Literature from Antiquity to the Early Byzantine Period, 7.5 credits

As well as one of the following courses:

1. Greek: Specialisation in Greek Literature, 15 credits
2. Greek: The Importance of Learning and Culture. Greek Prose Writers in the early Roman Empire, 15 credits
3. Greek: Specialisation in Greek Drama, 15 credits

*Elective courses,
45 credits*

Students will select elective courses totalling 45 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from 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

*Elective courses,
45 credits*

Students will select elective courses totalling 45 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.

Specialisation 8: Japanese

*Compulsory courses,
30 credits*

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

*Elective courses,
45 credits*

Students will select elective courses totalling 45 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.

Specialisation 9: Chinese

*Compulsory courses,
30 credits*

1. Chinese: “No Investigation, No Right to Speak” – Chinese Public Information Management, 15 credits

As well as one of the following courses:

1. Chinese: Specialisation in Chinese Officialese, 15 credits
2. Modern Chinese Literature, 15 credits

*Elective courses,
45 credits*

Students will select elective courses totalling 45 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.

Specialisation 10: Cognitive Semiotics

*Compulsory courses,
30 credits*

1. Cognitive Linguistics: Meaning, Mind and Communication, 7.5 credits
2. Linguistics: Metalinguistics – Language as an Object of Knowledge, 7.5 credits

As well as two of the following five courses:

1. General Linguistics: The Origins of Language, 7.5 credits
2. Semiotics: Translation Theory, 7.5 credits
3. Linguistics: Language in the Visual Modality – Gestures and Signs, 7.5 credits
4. Linguistics: Meaning, Mind and Communication, 7.5 credits
5. English: Cognitive Linguistics, 7.5 credits

*Elective courses,
45 credits*

Students will select elective courses totalling 45 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.

Specialisation 11: Latin

*Compulsory courses,
30 credits*

1. Latin: Classical Prose and Poetry, 15 credits
2. Latin: Medieval and Neo-Latin Prose and Poetry, 15 credits

*Elective courses,
45 credits*

Students will select elective courses totalling 45 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.

Specialisation 12: Modern Greek

*Compulsory courses,
30 credits*

1. Modern Greek: History of the Greek Language from Antiquity to the Present, 7.5 credits
2. Modern Greek: The History of Greek Literature from the Late Byzantine Period to the Present, 7.5 credits

As well as 15 credits in

1. Modern Greek: Language Variation in Modern Greek, 7.5 credits
2. Modern Greek: Morphology and Lexicology, 7.5 credits

or

3. Modern Greek: Specialisation in Modern Greek Literature, 15 credits

Specialisation 13: Rhetoric

*Compulsory courses,
30 credits*

1. Rhetoric: The Canons of Rhetoric, 7.5 credits
2. Rhetoric: Contemporary Rhetorical Theory, 7.5 credits
3. Rhetoric: Rhetoric and Knowledge, 7.5 credits
4. Rhetoric: Rhetoric and (Popular) Science, 7.5 credits

*Elective courses,
45 credits*

Students will select elective courses totalling 45 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.

Specialisation 14: Romanian

*Compulsory courses,
30 credits*

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

*Elective courses,
45 credits*

Students will select elective courses totalling 45 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list

of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.

Specialisation 15: Russian

*Compulsory courses,
30 credits*

1. Russian: The History of the Russian Language and Early Texts, 7.5 credits
2. Russian: Modern Linguistic Theory within Slavic Philology, 7.5 credits
3. Russian: Morphology and Lexicology, 7.5 credits
4. Russian: Pragmatics and Syntax, 7.5 credits

*Elective courses,
45 credits*

Students will select elective courses totalling 45 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.

Specialisation 16: Spanish

*Compulsory courses,
30 credits*

1. Spanish: The History of the Spanish Language and Early Texts, 15 credits
2. Spanish: Linguistic Variation in Spanish, 7.5 credits
3. Spanish: Written Proficiency in Spanish, 7.5 credits

*Elective courses,
45 credits*

Students will select elective courses totalling 45 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.

Specialisation 17: Swedish/Scandinavian Languages

*Compulsory courses,
30 credits*

1. Swedish: Grammar in Theory and Practice, 7.5 credits
2. Swedish/Scandinavian Languages: The History of the Scandinavian Languages, 7.5 credits
3. Swedish/Scandinavian Languages: Linguistic Variation in the Scandinavian Languages, 7.5 credits

As well as one of the following courses:

1. Swedish: The Theory and Practice of Text Analysis, 7.5 credits
2. Swedish: Stylistics in Literature, 7.5 credits

*Elective courses,
45 credits*

Students will select elective courses totalling 45 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.

Specialisation 18: 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

*Elective courses,
45 credits*

Students will select elective courses totalling 45 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.

The courses are distributed in the programme as follows:

Semester 1: The compulsory course Philosophy of Science for Linguists, 7.5 credits, compulsory course(s) and elective course(s) for each specialisation

Semester 2: The compulsory course Fundamental Linguistic Methods, 7.5 credits, compulsory course(s) for each specialisation and/or elective course(s)

Semester 3: Compulsory course(s) for each specialisation and/or elective course(s)

Semester 4: Degree project

5. Degree

Title of degree in English: Master of Arts (120 credits). Major: Language and Linguistics with specialisation in xx

Title of degree in Swedish: Filosofie masterexamen. Huvudområde Språk- och språkvetenskap med specialisering i xx

6. Admission requirements and selection criteria

Admission requirements to the programme as a whole

To be admitted to the programme, students must hold a Bachelor's degree, or the equivalent, specialising in the subject chosen for the Master's programme. In addition, English 6/B from Swedish upper secondary school is required, or the equivalent.

International students are required to hold a first-cycle degree (Bachelor of Arts or the equivalent), specialising in the subject chosen for the Master's programme, as well as a degree project in the subject. In addition, students must have documented proficiency in English equivalent to English 6 from Swedish upper secondary school (please visit universityadmissions.se for information on the English proficiency required).

Specific requirements for the respective specialisations

General Linguistics: In addition to requirements above, to be admitted to the specialisation in General Linguistics, students must have one of the following qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree in General Linguistics, Phonetics or Linguistics
- Bachelor's degree in a language (e.g. English, French, Spanish), including 60 credits in linguistics, and a degree project in linguistics

English: In addition to requirements above, to be admitted to the specialisation in English, students must have completed an IELTS (Academic) test with an average result of 7.5 and no section scoring less than 7.0, as well as a degree project specialising in linguistics. An exception from the IELTS requirement can be made for applicants' whose native language is English and who have completed a first-cycle degree at an English-speaking university.

Japanese: In addition to requirements above, to be admitted to the specialisation in Japanese, the student must have completed a degree project specialising in linguistics.

Cognitive Semiotics: To be admitted to the specialisation in Cognitive Semiotics, students must have hold a Bachelor's degree or equivalent in one of the following main fields:

- Bachelor's degree in General Linguistics
- Bachelor's degree in a language (e.g. English, French, Spanish), specialising in linguistics
- Bachelor's degree in Semiotics, specialising in linguistics
- Bachelor's degree in Cognitive Science, specialising in linguistics
- an equivalent degree

Spanish: In addition to requirements above, to be admitted to the specialisation in Spanish, the student must have completed a degree project specialising in linguistics.

Selection

The following selection criteria may be applied if the number of students exceeds the number of places: Bachelor's degree project or the equivalent, grades on relevant courses, interviews.

FOR A MASTER OF ARTS (60 CREDITS)

7. Learning outcomes

For a Master of Arts (60 credits) in Language and Linguistics the student shall

- demonstrate knowledge and understanding of language and linguistics, including both an overview of linguistics and specialised knowledge in the selected area of specialisation
- demonstrate insight into current linguistic research and development work
- be able to apply methodological knowledge in linguistics
- demonstrate the ability to integrate knowledge critically and systematically and to analyse, assess and deal with complex phenomena, issues and situations, even with limited information
- demonstrate the ability to identify and formulate issues autonomously and creatively as well as to plan and, using appropriate methods, undertake advanced tasks within predetermined time frames
- demonstrate the ability in speech and writing to report clearly and discuss his or her own development work and research and the knowledge and arguments on which they are based in dialogue with different audiences, using the language of the selected specialisation
- demonstrate the knowledge and skills required for participation in research and development work or employment in some other qualified capacity
- demonstrate the knowledge and skills required to take responsibility for, evaluate and develop activities in which language competence is an integral part
- demonstrate the ability to make assessments in linguistics informed by relevant disciplinary, societal and ethical issues and also to demonstrate awareness of ethical aspects of research and development work
- demonstrate the ability to assess, compile 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 possibilities and limitations of research, its role in society and the responsibility of the individual for how it is used
- demonstrate the ability to identify the personal need for further knowledge and take responsibility for his or her ongoing learning.

8. Course details

Compulsory courses for a degree of Master (60 credits), 22.5 credits

1. Language and Linguistics: Philosophy of Science for Linguists, 7.5 credits,
2. Language and Linguistics: Degree project, 15 credits.

Compulsory courses for each specialisation

See below.

Elective courses, 22.5 credits.

Students will select elective courses totalling 22.5 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator

Specialisation 1: General Linguistics

Compulsory courses, 15 or 30 credits

Depending on the student's prior knowledge in the subject of General Linguistics, the student is to take 15 or 30 credits in the subject of General Linguistics/Linguistics. If the student holds a Bachelor's degree in Linguistics (General Linguistics or Phonetics), the student may choose second-cycle courses comprising 15 credits. If the student holds a Bachelor's degree in Language, 15 credits in first-cycle courses are compulsory.

Elective courses, 22.5 or 7.5 credits

Students with a Bachelor's degree in Linguistics will select elective courses totalling 22.5 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator. Students with a Bachelor's degree in Language will select elective courses totalling 7.5 credits from the same list.

Specialisations 2–18

Compulsory courses for the respective specialisations, 15 credits

Students will select elective courses totalling 15 credits from a list of compulsory courses within the chosen specialisation of the Master's programme. See above.

If one or several of the compulsory courses of the

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

*Elective courses,
22.5 credits*

Students will select elective courses totalling 22.5 credits in consultation with the programme coordinator. A list of all courses is available from the programme coordinator.

The courses are distributed as follows in the programme:

Semester 1: The compulsory course Philosophy of Science for Linguists, 7.5 credits, compulsory course(s) and elective course(s) for each specialisation

Semester 2: Compulsory course(s) for each specialisation, elective course(s) and a degree project

9. Degree

Title of degree in English: Master of Arts (60 credits). Major: Language and Linguistics with specialisation in xx

Title of degree in Swedish: Filosofie magisterexamen. Huvudområde Språk- och språkvetenskap med specialisering i xx

10. Admission requirements and selection criteria

See above.