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**Course literature for  
Diversity of the World's Languages, LINB23, 7,5 credits**

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The language of instruction is English.

*Obligatory literature*

Pereltsvaig, Asya. (2020). *Languages of the world. An introduction*.  
Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. (363 pp.)

Other material (max. 100 pp.) may be added, according to the teacher's instructions.  
Appr. 450 pages in total

*Reference literature*

Dryer, Matthew S. & Haspelmath, Martin (eds.) (2013). *The World Atlas of  
Language Structures Online*. Leipzig: Max Planck Institute for  
Evolutionary Anthropology. (Available online at <http://wals.info>)

Eberhard, David M., Gary F. Simons, and Charles D. Fennig (eds.). 2022.  
*Ethnologue: Languages of the World*. Twenty-fifth edition. Dallas,  
Texas: SIL International. Online version: <http://www.ethnologue.com>.

*Glottolog database*. Leipzig: Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary  
Anthropology. (Available online at: <https://glottolog.org/>)

Michaelis, Susanne Maria & Maurer, Philippe & Haspelmath, Martin &  
Huber, Magnus (eds.) 2013. *Atlas of Pidgin and Creole Language  
Structures Online*. Leipzig: Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary  
Anthropology. (Available online at <http://apics-online.info>)