Course and Examination Regulations
Valid from 1 September 2012

Programme-specific section

Master's Programme: Linguistics (research)

These course and examination regulations have been drawn up in accordance with Section 7.13 of the Higher Education and Research Act [*Wet op het hoger onderwijs en wetenschappelijk onderzoek*] (WHW) (henceforth the Act) and additional quality marks as set out in the framework document Leiden University Register of Study Programmes [*Leids universitair register opleidingen*].

Pursuant to Section 7.14 of the Act the Faculty Board regularly evaluates the course and examination regulations and assesses, for the purpose of monitoring and, if necessary, adjusting the study load, the time it takes students to comply with the regulations. In conformity with Section 9.18 of the Act, the department teaching committee is assigned the task of annually assessing how the course and examination regulations are implemented.

These course and examination regulations consist of two sections: a general section that is the same for all programmes and a section that contains specific information for a particular programme. This programme-specific section forms a whole with the general section and only contains those articles with content that is specific to a particular programme.

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Article 2.1   Objectives of the Programme

The programme has the following objectives:
1. to broaden and deepen students' knowledge, understanding and skills, and train them in the use of scientific methods in the field of Linguistics;
2. to enable students to develop the following academic and professional skills:
   a. the ability to solve academic problems independently, critically and creatively;
   b. the ability to analyse complex problems;
   c. the ability to report academic results clearly, both in writing and verbally;
3. to prepare students for an academic career at a university and/or for postgraduate programmes as well as for non-academic positions in the public or private sector for which advanced research skills and practical research experience are a prerequisite;
4. to prepare students for a career in the public or private sector.

Article 2.2 Specialisations

Not applicable.

Article 2.3   Achievement Levels

Graduates of the programme have attained the following achievement levels:

i. the ability to conduct independent linguistic research of the highest methodological and analytical calibre;

ii. a scientifically sound knowledge of a number of aspects of structure and usage in two or three languages which are important to their field of study;

iii. familiarity with the specialist literature and the most pressing issues and problems in the field and have a good overview of the state of the art;

iv. the ability to conceive a research design, write a research proposal, execute a plan of research, analyse research findings and write up a readable account of these findings.

Article 2.5   Study Load

The programme has a study load of 120 credits.

Article 2.8   Language of instruction

In compliance with the Code of Conduct regarding Language of Instruction [*Gedragscode voertaal*] the language of instruction and examination of the programme is English.[1] The student is expected to have a sufficient command of the language of instruction of the programme.

Article 3.1   Compulsory Components

3.1.1 The programme includes compulsory components totalling a study load of 120 ECTS credits. These compulsory components are listed in Appendix C. The study load (in credits) and level are indicated per component.

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1. The Code of Conduct regarding Language of Instruction [*Gedragscode voertaal*] was adopted by the Executive Board on 11 July 2002 and can be found on the following website: media.leidenuniv.nl/legacy/language of instruction.pdf.

Article 3.2 Freedom of Choice

The student can use the free space on the research master's for training provided by national research schools.

Article 3.4   Participation in courses

Not applicable

Article 4.2   Obligatory Order

Not applicable

Article 5.1   Direct Admission

Not applicable

Article 5.3   Entry Requirements

Without prejudice to the provisions of article 5.2.1 regarding maximum capacity, admission will be granted to persons who:

- have a demonstrable affinity and suitability for academic research; and
- possess knowledge, understanding and skills that have been acquired upon completion of a bachelor's programme, which includes the General Academic Skills listed in Appendix D and is preferably in Linguistics, is a language and culture programme or a comparable degree with a relevant specialisation; and
- have earned a bachelor's degree at an academic university that is of an equal level to a Dutch bachelor's degree, or who can demonstrate that they meet the requirements for such a degree; and
- in the opinion of the Faculty Board have a sufficient command of the language(s) of instruction of the programme (a score of 6.5 (IELTS) or 570/230/88-90 (TOEFL test)*).*

Article 5.5   Bridging Programme

Not   applicable.

Masteropleiding 2012-2013:
Research Master Linguistics

Studiejaar	Semester	Cursustitel	Alle deelnemende docenten	Studiegidsnummer	Werkvorm	Niveau	EC	Status
MA 1	I	Approaches to Diversity	Kloekhorst (coord).	5914V-001T	hc	500	10	V
MA 1	2	Samples of Linguistic Structure	Mous (coord)	5914V-001T	hc	500	10	V
		Students choose 10 ec from the following courses:					10	V
MA 1	I	History of linguistics	van Oostendorp	5914V2031T	hc	500	5	K
MA 1	I	Fieldwork methods	Klamer	5194KLD05Y	wc	500	10	K
MA 1	I	Speech Analysis and Synthesis	Pacilly	5194KTH06Y	wc	500	5	K
MA 1	I	Statistics and data processing for linguists	Van Heuven		wc	500	5	K
MA 1	II	Core: Samples of Linguistic Structure II: Typology	Klamer	5914V2021T	wc	500	10	K
MA 1	I/II	LOT Summerschool / Winterschool	External		wc	500	5	K
		Students choose a total of 60 EC from the following courses or from any of the track courses in the MA Linguistics						V
MA 1/2	II	Corpus Lexicography	Tiberius (INL)		hc	600	10	K
MA 1/2	II	Semantic Approaches to Syntax	Fortuin		hc	600	10	K
MA 1/2	I	Topics* in linguistics A	van Oostendorp		wc	600	5	K
MA 1/2	I	Topics in linguistics B	van Oostendorp		wc	600	5	K

MA 1/2	II	Topics in linguistics C	van Oostendorp		wc	600	5	K
MA 1/2	II	Topics in linguistics D	van Oostendorp		wc	600	5	K
MA 2	II	MA Thesis Linguistics (RMA)				600	30	V
		* Topics: Cursussen met een wisselend karakter dat aansluit op actueel onderzoek van een LUCL-onderzoeker of een gast van een LUCL-onderzoeker. Iedere cursus neemt een blok in beslag (6 weken).						