

Module catalogue MA English Linguistics

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ELG-M 1

1. Name of the module:	Methods and Skills in English Linguistics (I)					
2. Subject/responsible professors:	Prof. Dr. Edgar W. Schneider Prof. Dr. Roswitha Fischer					
3. Contents of the module:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Methods of data collection, analysis and evaluation in linguistic research • Advanced academic writing 					
4. Qualification targets of the module / skills to be acquired:	<p>Students should have the following qualifications after successful completion of the module:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • describing the structure of linguistic research texts and applying them to their own texts, • comparing and applying various methods in the acquisition and analysis of linguistic data, • developing a research concept with critical assessment in a structured written form including discussion and evaluation. 					
5. Prerequisites:						
a) Recommended skills:	Pronounced interest in critical and academic discussions with theoretical, methodical and historical issues in linguistics					
b) Obligatory certificates:						
6. Applicability of the module:	Master programme <i>English Linguistics</i>					
7. Availability of the module:	Each winter term					
8. Module can be completed in:	1 Semester					
9. Recommended semester:	1. Semester					
10. Workload/Credit points:	<p>Effort:</p> <p>Total in hours: 360 of which</p> <p>1. Time of attendance: 4 Credit hours 2. Self-study (incl. exam): 240 hours Credit points: 12</p>					
11. The module is successfully completed once the following achievements are completed:						
12. Components of the module:						
No.	P/WP	Form of teaching	Subject area/ topic	Credit hours	CP	Academic achievement
ELG-M 1.1	P	Seminar	Academic Writing for Linguists	2	4	Portfolio
ELG-M 1.2	P	Seminar	Research Methods of Investigating Variation in English	2	8	Portfolio
13. Module exam:						

No.	Qualification/ topic	Type of exam	Duration	CP	Point in time/ remarks	Percentage of module grade
ELG-M 1.3	Exemplary research proposal for a in English linguistics	Research proposal (ca. 3000 words)	6 weeks	4	Following ELG-M 1.2	100%

14. Remarks:

The module should be completed in the first semester.

The module grade accounts for 10% of the overall grade.

The module exam can only take place following a Projektseminar, a Proseminar or a Hauptseminar.

ELG M-2

1. Name of the module:	Methods and Skills in Linguistics (II)
2. Subject/ responsible professors:	Prof. Dr. Edgar W. Schneider Prof. Dr. Roswitha Fischer
3. Contents of the module:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classical and contemporary research topics in the field of English linguistics
4. Qualification targets of the module / skills to be acquired:	<p>Students should have the following qualifications after successful completion of the module:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • analysis and critical assessment of studies with respect to linguistic theories and methodology • evaluating current research approaches in English linguistics in order to establish approaches for their own research • discussing and reflecting on a comprehensive linguistic study.
5. Prerequisites:	
a) Recommended skills:	
b) Obligatory certificates:	
6. Applicability of the module:	Master course <i>English Linguistics</i>
7. Availability of the module:	Each summer term
8. Module can be completed in:	1 Semester
9. Recommended semester:	2. Semester
10. Workload/Credit points:	<p>Effort:</p> <p>Total in hours: 240</p> <p>of which:</p> <p>1. Time of attendance: 4 Credit hours</p> <p>2. Self-study (incl. exam): 120 hours</p>

Credit points: 8						
11. The module is successfully completed if the following achievements are completed:						
12. Components of the module:						
No.	P/WP	Form of teaching	Subject area/ topic	Credit hours	CP	Academic achievement
ELG-M 2.1	P	S	Readings in Linguistics	2	4	Presentation and essay discussing a linguistic text (ca. 2000 words)
ELG-M 2.2	P	S/K	Research colloquium English linguistics	2	4	Reading and review (ca. 1500 words) of a linguistic study
13. Remarks:						

ELG M-3

1. Name of the module:	English Linguistics: A Survey of Structure and Use
2. Subject/ responsible professors:	Prof. Dr. Edgar W. Schneider Prof. Dr. Roswitha Fischer
3. Contents of the module:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of structural characteristics of the English language and its varieties (e.g. phonetics, syntax, lexis, semantics) • Overview of usage of the English language and its varieties (e.g. sociolinguistics, stylistics, language acquisition) • Overview of linguistic theories and principal academic studies about structural characteristics and/or usage of the English language and its varieties
4. Qualification targets of the module / skills to be acquired:	<p>Students should have the following qualifications after successful completion of the module:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • explaining, comparing and evaluating structural characteristics and usage features of the English language and its varieties • analysing texts regarding characteristic structural and stylistic features and evaluating these concerning their sociolinguistic and register specific significance.
5. Prerequisites:	
a) Recommended skills:	
b) Obligatory certificates:	
6. Applicability of the module:	Master programme <i>English Linguistics</i>
7. Availability of the module:	Every semester
8. Module can be completed in:	1 Semester

9. Recommended semester:	1. Semester					
10. Workload/Credit points:	Effort: Total in hours: 240 of which: 1. Time of attendance: 4 Credit hours 2. Self-study (incl. exam): 120 hours Credit points: 8					
11. The module is successfully completed if the following achievements are completed:						
12. Components of the module:						
No.	P/WP	Form of teaching	Subject area/ topic	SWS	CP	Academic effort
ELG-M 3.1	P	V (Lecture)	V from the subject area <i>The Structure of English or English in Use</i>	2	4	Written exam (90 minutes)
ELG-M 3.2	P	PS	PS from the subject area <i>The Structure of English or English in Use</i>	2	4	Presentation and hand-out; alternatively: Portfolio
13. Remarks:						

ELG M-4

1. Name of the module:	English Linguistics: Studying Structure and Use
2. Subject/ responsible professors:	Prof. Dr. Edgar W. Schneider Prof. Dr. Roswitha Fischer
3. Contents of the module:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advanced studies of structural characteristics of the English language and its varieties (e.g. phonetics, syntax, lexis, semantics) • Advanced studies of usage of the English language and its varieties (e.g. sociolinguistics, stylistic, language acquisition)
4. Qualification targets of the module / skills to be acquired:	<p>Students should have the following qualifications after successful completion of the module:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • compiling appropriate literature and information for their own analyses with critical oral and written consideration, • working on a topic of the area <i>Structure and use of the English language</i> and its varieties on the basis of their own analyses including selected studies of specialised literature.
5. Prerequisites:	
a) Recommended skills:	

b) Obligatory certificates:							
6. Applicability of the module:	Master programme <i>English Linguistics</i>						
7. Availability of the module:	every semester						
8. Module can be completed in:	1 Semester						
9. Recommended semester:	2. Semester						
10. Workload/Credit points:	Effort: Total in hours: 240 of which: 1. Time of attendance: 2 Credit hours 2. Self-study (incl. exam): 180 hours Credit points: 8						
11. The module is successfully completed once the following achievements are completed:							
12. Components of the module:							
No.	P/WP	Form of teaching	Subject area/ topic	SW	CP	Academic achievement	
ELG-M 4.1	P	PS	PS of the subject area <i>The Structure of English or English in Use</i>	2	8	Presentation incl. hand-out and/or portfolio	
13. Module exam:							
No.	Competence/ topic		Type of exam	Duration	CP	Point in time/ remarks	Percentage of module grade
ELG-M 4.2	Working on a topic in English linguistics with a focus on the usage or structure of English		Term paper (ca. 6000 words)	6 weeks	--	Following ELG-M 4.1	100%
14. Remarks: The module grade accounts for 10% of the overall grade. The module exam can only take place following a Projektseminar, a Proseminar or a Hauptseminar.							

ELG M-5

1. Name of the module:	Evolution and Variation in English (I)
2. Subject/ responsible professors:	Prof. Dr. Edgar W. Schneider Prof. Dr. Roswitha Fischer
3. Contents of the	• Main features of diachronic evolution of the English

module:	language and its varieties since its genesis until today <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic theories of language change and linguistic evolutionary processes • Principles of linguistic variation under the influence of social, regional and register specific parameters 					
4. Qualification targets of the module / skills to be acquired:	Students should have the following qualifications after successful completion of the module: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • differentiating and characterising lines of evolution of the English language on different linguistic areas, • demonstrating and explaining phenomena of linguistic variation in relation to processes of linguistic change (e.g. correlation linguistic patterns with extra- und inner linguistic aspects, relations between linguistic areas). 					
5. Prerequisites:						
a) Recommended skills:						
b) Obligatory certificates:						
6. Applicability of the module:	Master programme <i>English Linguistics</i>					
7. Availability of the module:	At least once per academic year					
8. Module can be completed in:	1 Semester					
9. Recommended semester:	ELG-M 5.1: 1.-2. Semester; ELG 5.2, 5.3: 1.-3. Semester					
10. Workload/Credit points:	Effort: Total in hours: 420 of which: 1. Time of attendance: 6 credit hours 2. Self-study (incl. exam): 240 hours Credit points: 14					
11. The module is successfully completed, if the following achievements are completed:						
12. Components of the module:						
No.	P/WP	Form of teaching	Subject area/ topic	SW	SCP	Academic achievement
ELG-M 5.1	P	V (lecture)/S	Historical Evolution of English	2	4	Written exam (90 minutes)
ELG-M 5.2	P	V (lecture)/PS	V/PS of the subject area Evolution and Variation in English	2	4	if V: Written exam (90 minutes) if PS: Presentation and hand-out; alternatively: portfolio
ELG-M 5.3	P	HS	HS of the subject area Evolution and Variation in English	2	6	Presentation and hand-out; alternatively: Portfolio
13. Remarks:						

ELG M-6

1. Name of the module:	Evolution and Variation in English (II)				
2. Subject/ responsible professors:	Prof. Dr. Edgar W. Schneider Prof. Dr. Roswitha Fischer				
3. Contents of the module:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advanced knowledge of the diachronic evolution of the English language and its varieties since its genesis until today • Research and analysis of language change and linguistic evolutionary processes in the history of the English language • Methodology and research of language variation under the influence of social, regional and register specific parameters 				
4. Qualification targets of the module / skills to be acquired:	<p>Students should have the following qualifications after successful completion of the module:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • analysing lines of evolution of the English language on different linguistic levels, • reflecting critically on theories on issues in variational research, • developing and empirically testing hypotheses in relation to linguistic variation and diachronic evolution. 				
5. Prerequisites:					
a) Recommended skills:					
b) Obligatory certificates:					
6. Applicability of the module:	Master programme <i>English Linguistics</i>				
7. Availability of the module:	At least once per academic year				
8. Module can be completed in:	1 Semester				
9. Recommended semester:	2.-3. Semester				
10. Workload/Credit points:	<p>Effort:</p> <p>Total in hours: 300</p> <p>of which:</p> <p>1. Time of attendance: 2 credit hours</p> <p>2. Self-study (incl. exam): 240 hours</p> <p>Credit points: 10</p>				
11. The module is successfully completed, if the following achievements are completed:					
12. Components of the module:					
No.	P/WP	Form of teaching	Subject area/ topic	SWSCP	Academic achievement

ELG-M 6.1	P	HS	HS of the subject area Evolution and Variation in English	2	10	Presentation and hand-out; alternatively: portfolio	
13. Module exam:							
No.	Competence/ topic		Type of exam	Duration	CP	Point in time/ remarks	Percentage of the module grade
ELG-M 6.2	Working on a topic of evolution und variation in the English language		Term paper (ca. 6000 words)	6 weeks	--	Following ELG-M 6.1	100%
14. Remarks: The module grade accounts for 15% of the overall grade. The module exam can only take place following a Projektseminar, a Proseminar or a Hauptseminar.							

ELG M-7

1. Name of the module:	English: Variation, Contact and Multilingualism (I)
2. Subject/ responsible professors:	Prof. Dr. Edgar W. Schneider Prof. Dr. Roswitha Fischer
3. Contents of the module:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic theories, models, methodology and application examples of the areas English language variation, language contact and multilingualism
4. Qualification targets of the module / skills to be acquired:	<p>Students should have the following qualifications after successful completion of the module:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • comparing and evaluating theories and models of the above mentioned areas, • project-based application of research methodology of the above mentioned areas.
5. Prerequisites:	
a) Recommended skills:	
b) Obligatory certificates:	
6. Applicability of the module:	Master programme <i>English Linguistics</i>
7. Availability of the module:	At least once per academic year
8. Module can be completed in:	1 Semester
9. Recommended semester:	2.-4. Semester
10. Workload/Credit points:	<p>Effort:</p> <p>Total in hours: 300 of which:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Time of attendance: 4 credit hours 2. Self-study (incl. exam): 180 hours

						Credit points: 10
11. The module is successfully completed, if the following achievements are completed:						
12. Components of the module:						
No.	P/WP	Form of teaching	Subject area/ topic	SW	SCP	Academic achievements
ELG-M 7.1	P	V/PS	V/PS of the subject area English: Variation, Contact and Multilingualism	2	4	if V: Written exam (90 minutes) if PS: Presentation and hand-out; alternatively: portfolio
ELG-M 7.2	P	HS	HS of the subject area English: Variation, Contact and Multilingualism	2	6	Presentation and hand-out; alternatively: portfolio
13. Remarks:						

ELG M-8

1. Name of the module:	English: Variation, Contact and Multilingualism (II)
2. Subject/responsible professors:	Prof. Dr. Edgar W. Schneider Prof. Dr. Roswitha Fischer
3. Contents of the module:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advanced theories, models, methodology and applications of the areas English language variation, language contact and multilingualism
4. Qualification targets of the module / skills to be acquired:	<p>Students should have the following qualifications after successful completion of the module:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> reflecting theories, models and methodology regarding applicability to research questions in current research to above mentioned areas, demonstrating that methods and theories of the above mentioned areas can be applied and be target-group-specifically put into writing in the context of an empirical study.
5. Prerequisites:	
a) Recommended skills:	
b) Obligatory certificates:	
6. Applicability of the module:	Master programme <i>English Linguistics</i>
7. Availability of the module:	At least once per academic year
8. Module can be completed in:	1 Semester

9. Recommended semester:	2.-4. Semester							
10. Workload/Credit points:	Effort: Total in hours: 300 of which: 1. Time of attendance: 2 credit hours 2. Self-study (incl. exam): 240 hours Credit points: 10							
11. The module is successfully completed, if the following achievements are completed:								
12. Components of the module:								
No.	P/WP	Form of teaching	Subject area/ topic	SWS	LP	Academic achievement		
ELG-M 8.1	P	HS	HS of the subject area <i>English: Variation, Contact and Multilingualism</i>	2	10	Presentation and hand-out; alternatively: portfolio		
13. Module exam:								
No.	Competence/ topic			Type of exam	Duration	CP	Point in time/remarks	Percentage of the module grade
ELG-M 8.2	Working on a topic on variation of the English language and its varieties, language contact or multilingualism			Term paper (ca. 6000 words)	6 weeks	--	Following ELG-M 8.1	100%
14. Remarks:								
The module grade accounts for 15% of the overall grade. The module exam can only take place following a Projektseminar, a Proseminar or a Hauptseminar.								

ELG M-9

1. Name of the module:	Praxismodul (Practical module)
2. Subject/ responsible professors:	Prof. Dr. Edgar W. Schneider Prof. Dr. Roswitha Fischer
3. Contents of the module:	• Internship
4. Qualification targets of the module / skills to be acquired:	Students should have the following qualifications after successful completion of the module: • autonomously planning, preparing, executing and

	documenting an internship in the area of English Linguistics.					
5. Prerequisites:						
a) Recommended skills:						
b) Obligatory certificates:						
6. Applicability of the module:	Master programme <i>English Linguistics</i>					
7. Availability of the module:	Internship anytime; colloquium at least once per academic year					
8. Module can be completed in:	1-2 semesters					
9. Recommended semester:	2.-4. Semester					
10. Workload/Credit points:	Effort: Minimum duration of the internship: 4 weeks Total in hours: 400 of which: 1. Organisation and preparation: 40 hours 2. Execution: 300 hours 3. Presentation and internship report: 60 hours Credit points: 13					
11. The module is successfully completed, if the following achievements are completed:						
12. Components of the module:						
No.	P/WP	Form of teaching	Subject area/ topic	SW	CP	Academic achievement
ELG-M 9.1	P	Internship	autonomous organisation, preparation and execution of an internship		11	
ELG-M 9.2	P	K	Presentation and documentation of the internship		2	Presentation and internship report (ca. 8000 words)
13. Remarks:						

ELG M-10

1. Name of the module:	Master thesis
2. Subject/responsible professors:	Prof. Dr. Edgar W. Schneider Prof. Dr. Roswitha Fischer

3. Contents of the module:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Master thesis 						
4. Qualification targets of the module / skills to be acquired:	<p>Students should have the following qualifications after successful completion of the module:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • autonomously working on a topic of English linguistics, • researching, critically evaluating and processing academic literature • appropriately choosing and applying linguistic methods and conducting analyses, • writing a comprehensive study on an academic level. 						
5. Prerequisites:							
a) Recommended skills:							
b) Obligatory certificates:	Modules ELG-M1, M2, M3 and M4; 24 LP of the modules ELG-M5, M6, M7 or M8						
6. Applicability of the module:	Master programme <i>English Linguistics</i>						
7. Availability of the module:	Master thesis every semester, colloquium at least once per academic year; seminars every semester						
8. Module can be completed in:	1 Semester						
9. Recommended semester:	4. Semester						
10. Workload/Credit points:	<p>Effort:</p> <p>Total in hours: 780</p> <p>of which:</p> <p>1. Time of attendance: 2 SWS</p> <p>2. Self-study (incl. exam): 750 hours</p> <p>Credit points: 27</p>						
11. The module is successfully completed, if the following achievements are completed:							
12. Components of the module:							
No.	P/WP	Form of teaching	Subject area/ topic	SW	CP	Academic achievements	
	P	S/K	Research colloquium English linguistics or thematically relevant seminar	2	5	Presentation of the Master thesis project	
13. Module exam:							
No.	Competence/ topic		Type of exam	Duration	CP	Point in time/ remarks	Percentage of the module grade
ELG-M 10.	Working on a topic of English linguistic		Master thesis (ca. 32000 words)	4 months	22		100%

14. Remarks:

The module grade accounts for 50% of the overall grade.