

Faculty of Arts and Philosophy
Master of Arts in African Studies

Language of instruction: English
Programme version 5

1 General Courses 15 credits

Nr	Course	CRDT	Ref	MT1	Session	Study
1	A005111 Language, History and Identity in Central and Eastern Africa <i>Koen Bostoën -- Department of Languages and Cultures</i>	5		1	A:1	150
2	A005112 Literature, Media and the Arts in Central and Eastern Africa <i>Olorunshola Adenekan -- Department of Languages and Cultures</i>	5		1	A:1	150
3	K001337 Conflict and Society in Central and Eastern Africa <i>Peer Schouten -- Department of Conflict and Development Studies</i>	5		1	A:1	150

2 Elective Courses 30 credits

2.1 Limited Choice 20 credits

Subscribe to 20 credit units from the following list.

Nr	Course	CRDT	Ref	MT1	Session	Study
1	A005381 Anthropology of Affect and Materiality <i>Koenraad Stroecken -- Department of Languages and Cultures</i>	5		1	A:2	150
2	A005382 Anthropology of the Body and Performance in Africa	5		1		150
3	A005115 Poverty, Development and Inequality in Modern African History <i>Felicitas Maria Becker -- Department of History</i>	5		1	A:1	150
4	A005116 History and Theory of African Urbanism and Architecture <i>Johan Lagae -- Department of Architecture and Urban Planning</i>	5		1	A:2	150
5	A005117 Bantu Corpus Linguistics and Lexicography	5		1		150
6	A005573 Comparative Bantu Grammar <i>Sebastian Dom -- Department of Languages and Cultures</i>	5		1	A:2	150
7	A005114 Gender and Identity in African Literatures <i>Martina Vitackova -- Department of Languages and Cultures</i>	5		1	A:2	150
8	A004420 Postcolonial Literature in English <i>Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Elisabeth Bekers</i>	5		1		150
9	A005330 African Archaeology <i>Peter Coutros -- Department of Languages and Cultures</i>	5		1	A:1	150

2.2 Free Choice 10 credits

Subscribe to 10 credit units

Students can choose 10 credits, either from the Africa-specific courses in 2.1, or from UGent's course offer (including the [Ghent University Elective Courses](#)), such as the courses Swahili, Lingála and Afrikaans, and Research Seminar: History of Africa.

3 Master's Dissertation 15 credits

Nr	Course	CRDT	Ref	MT1	Session	Study
1	A005119 Master's Dissertation <i>Koenraad Stroecken -- Department of Languages and Cultures</i>	15		1	A:J	450

Teaching

When a course is not taught (solely) in the programme's language of instruction, the effectively used languages are indicated in square brackets following the course name, using the following ISO codes:

bg: Bulgarian	de: German	es: Spanish	ja: Japanese	pl: Polish	sh: Croatian/Serbian	zh: Chinese
cs: Czech	el: Greek	fr: French	nl: Dutch	pt: Portuguese	sl: Slovene	
da: Danish	en: English	it: Italian	no: Norwegian	ru: Russian	sv: Swedish	

Semester

Semesters are indicated by their number (1 or 2); semester 3 represents the summer period and J indicates a course spanning semesters 1 and 2. When a capital letter precedes a semester number, the course has multiple offerings. The letter indicates the offering concerned.

When a semester is shown in brackets, the course is not offered this year in the specific offering.

The offering frequency and first year of offering are indicated by the following codes:

a: bi-annually	c: annually, from 2025-2026	f: annually, from 2026-2027	i: annually, from 2027-2028
b: tri-annually	d: bi-annually, from 2025-2026	g: bi-annually, from 2026-2027	j: bi-annually, from 2027-2028
	e: tri-annually, from 2025-2026	h: tri-annually, from 2026-2027	k: tri-annually, from 2027-2028