

Hindi IV (A002915)

Course size *(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)*

Credits 7.0 **Study time 210 h**

Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2026-2027

B (semester 2)	Dutch, Hindi	Gent	seminar
			lecture
			independent work

Lecturers in academic year 2026-2027

Debouge, Isabelle	LW21	staff member
De Simone, Daniela	LW21	lecturer-in-charge

Offered in the following programmes in 2026-2027

	crdts	offering
Bachelor of Arts in Oriental Languages and Cultures(main subject India)	7	B
Exchange Programme Oriental Languages and Cultures	7	B

Teaching languages

Hindi, Dutch

Keywords

Hindi, speaking, writing, grammar, vocabulary, listening, reading, translation

Position of the course

This advanced course unit at intermediate level aims to provide the students with more in-depth knowledge of the particularities of Hindi grammar and vocabulary. The course ensures further development of the practical skills in listening, reading, speaking and writing Hindi.

Contents

- Elaboration of grammatical knowledge through dialogues, listening exercises, translations and oral drills.
- Elaboration of vocabulary.
- Comprehensive reading, further development of listening, speaking and writing skills.
- Translation exercises from Hindi to Dutch and vice versa.
- Hindi in everyday contexts.
- Reading of elementary Hindi texts with the study of special grammatical features and context.

Initial competences

To have successfully completed the course Hindi III or to have acquired the necessary skills by other means.

Final competences

- 1 To have a thorough theoretical as well as practical knowledge of complex grammatical structures in Hindi.
- 2 To have thoroughly expanded the vocabulary.
- 3 To have intermediate speaking skills: to be able to speak about topics such as financial issues, making appointments, etc.
- 4 To have extended reading and listening skills.
- 5 To be able to compose a correct Hindi text at an intermediate level.
- 6 To be able to translate Dutch sentences correctly to Hindi and vice versa.

- 7 To be able to use Hindi in everyday contexts.
- 8 To be able to read and comprehend an elementary literary text.

Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is determined after successful competences assessment

Conditions for exam contract

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

Teaching methods

Seminar, Lecture, Independent work

Extra information on the teaching methods

- Seminars: guided listening, speaking, writing and listening exercises.
- Lectures: explanation of grammar and cultural/literary contexts by the lecturer.
- Independent work: students have to prepare the texts and exercises at home.
- Class recordings: lectures are not recorded; however, supporting online learning materials (instructional videos, answer keys, etc.) are provided on Ufora.

Study material

Type: Syllabus

Name: Thematic bundle Hindi IV

Indicative price: Free or paid by faculty

Optional: no

Additional information: The course materials for this course are provided free of charge on Ufora.

Type: Syllabus

Name: Course materials Hindi IV

Indicative price: Free or paid by faculty

Optional: no

Additional information: The course materials for this course are provided free of charge on Ufora.

Type: Other

Name: The Oxford Hindi-English Dictionary

Indicative price: € 34

Optional: no

Additional information: From Hindi III onwards, students are required to possess a dictionary.

References

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- Further references and bibliography will be available on Minerva.

Course content-related study coaching

- In the practical language acquisition classes all theoretical knowledge is immediately put into practice. These classes consist of reading, conversation, listening, and written exercises. Immediate feedback is possible in the conversation exercises. The written exercises are corrected by the language teacher or during class and – if necessary – discussed with the individual student. This guarantees a quick feedback for the individual student.
- The lecturers can be contacted at the specified hours for further reference and/or clarification.

- Interactive support via Ufora and e-mail.

Assessment moments

end-of-term and continuous assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the first examination period

Oral assessment, Written assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the second examination period

Oral assessment, Written assessment

Examination methods in case of permanent assessment

Participation

Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment

examination during the second examination period is possible in modified form

Extra information on the examination methods

Periodic evaluation:

- Written examination: grammar exercises, translation exercises, reading exercises, listening exercises and writing exercises.
- Oral examination: speaking exercises + discussing a seen text

Permanent evaluation:

- Participation: class attendance, active participation during exercises, making homework and tests

If a student does not pass the periodic evaluation, a second chance is offered by means of an exam during the second examination period. However, a second chance for the permanent evaluation is not possible in the second examination period.

Calculation of the examination mark

written exam: 70% + oral exam: 20% + participation: 10%.

In order to pass the course unit as a whole, students must pass the receptive skills (reading & listening), the productive skills (writing & speaking) and knowledge of the Hindi language system (grammar and translation exercises) separately.

Students who do not take part in the assessment of one or more of the parts mentioned above or obtain a mark of less than 10/20 for one of the parts cannot pass the course evaluation. Should the average mark be higher than 10/20, the final mark will be reduced to the highest non-pass mark (= 9/20). A pass mark for one of the parts means that the assessment of that part does not need to be retaken in case of a resit. However, the student always has the right to use the full second examination opportunity if the student has not yet passed the entire course unit. The last exam mark obtained counts in the calculation of the final result.

Facilities for Working Students

1. Student attendance during educational activities is required.
2. The examination can be rescheduled.
3. Feedback can be given online.