

Hindi II (A005165)

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

Credits 10.0 **Study time 250 h**

Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2026-2027

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

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Bachelor of Arts in Oriental Languages and Cultures (main subject India)	10	A
Exchange Programme Oriental Languages and Cultures	10	A
Elective Set Languages of Asia, the Middle East and Eastern Europe	10	A

Teaching languages

Hindi, Dutch

Keywords

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

Position of the course

This elementary course unit wants to familiarize the students with the basic principles of the Hindi grammar. The difficulty level regarding the grammar principles is gradually increased. The vocabulary is also further developed, just as the elementary skills in Hindi listening, speaking, reading and writing.

Contents

- Further introduction to the elementary principles of the Hindi grammar by means of sample sentences, dialogues, listening exercises, translation tasks and oral drills. The difficulty level regarding the grammar principles is gradually increased.
- Further development of an elementary vocabulary.
- Further acquisition of elementary reading, writing, listening and speaking skills.
- Learning to translate sentences from Dutch to Hindi and vice versa.
- Learning how to use Hindi in everyday situations.

Initial competences

Having followed the course of Hindi I with success or having acquired the competences in a different way.

Final competences

- 1 To have a theoretical insight in and a practical knowledge of Hindi elementary grammatical constructions.
- 2 To master an elementary Hindi vocabulary.
- 3 To have speaking skills on introductory level: to be able to have a basic conversation about the weather, daily activities, to book a hotel room, etc.
- 4 To have elementary Hindi reading, writing and listening skills.
- 5 To be able to translate elementary sentences from Dutch to Hindi and vice versa.

6 To be able to use Hindi in everyday situations.

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

- Lectures: explanation of grammar and cultural contexts by the lecturer.
- Seminars: guided reading, speaking, writing and listening exercises. For the seminars students are expected to prepare some reading texts and exercises at home. Active participation in class is required.
- Independent work: students have to prepare the exercises at home.

Study material

Type: Syllabus

Name: Thematic bundle Hindi II

Indicative price: Free or paid by faculty

Optional: no

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

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References

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- Further references and bibliography will be available on Ufora.

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

Permanent evaluation:

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

If a student does not pass the periodic and permanent evaluation, a second chance is offered by means of an exam during the second exam 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 he/she 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.