

Master's Dissertation (A005419)

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

Credits 18.0

Study time 540 h

Course offerings in academic year 2025-2026

A (Year)

English

Gent

Lecturers in academic year 2025-2026

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lecturer-in-charge

Offered in the following programmes in 2025-2026

[Master of Arts in Advanced Studies in Linguistics \(main subject Linguistics in a Comparative Perspective\)](#)

[Master of Arts in Advanced Studies in Linguistics \(main subject Natural Language Processing: Theory and Practice\)](#)

crdts

18

offering

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Teaching languages

English

Keywords

Research report, research methods, research techniques

Position of the course

This course is the completion of the student's predoctoral training. He / she demonstrates that he / she is able to independently conduct scientific research at an academic level.

Contents

This course aims to develop and strengthen the research skills of the students. The student chooses a topic in consultation with the supervisor who is supervising him / her. He / she reports on his / her research in a master's dissertation.

Initial competences

Having successfully completed a master research paper in the field of Linguistics or Translation studies or having acquired the necessary skills by other means.

Final competences

- 1 Advanced comprehension of and insight into the scientific knowledge related to the discipline in general and to the main subject in particular
- 2 Analyze and summarize scientific articles from the field
- 3 Integrate insights from scientific texts into your own research
- 4 Autonomously apply research methods and techniques at an academic level
- 5 Write a paper that can be published in a scientific journal
- 6 Communicate with colleagues about your own research, e.g. during the topic presentations
- 7 discuss the final result with experts in the field of thesis, during an oral defence

Conditions for credit contract

This course unit cannot be taken via a credit contract

Conditions for exam contract

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

Teaching methods

Master's dissertation

Extra information on the teaching methods

Master's Dissertation: self-study, guidance by supervisor.
This course assumes the responsible use of generative artificial intelligence (GAI).
During the course, what this means will be explained.

Study material

Type: Other

Name: primary and secondary sources in the field of study of the thesis

Indicative price: Free or paid by faculty

Optional: no

Online Available : Yes

Available in the Library : Yes

Additional information: Are provided by the supervisor and/or retrieved by the student

References

Are provided by the supervisor and/or retrieved by the student

Course content-related study coaching

Guidance by the supervisor

Assessment moments

end-of-term and continuous assessment

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

Oral assessment

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

Oral assessment

Examination methods in case of permanent assessment

Assignment

Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment

examination during the second examination period is possible

Extra information on the examination methods

The paper may be written either in the format of a Master dissertation (\pm 25000 words), or in the form of an article that can be submitted to a scholarly journal. The paper should be followed by appendices containing the data collected, transcriptions, analyses, etc. so that the examiners can adequately assess the scientific quality of the study.

The paper is submitted in written format and defended orally. It is assessed by the supervisor (and possibly co-supervisor) and two examiners.

Calculation of the examination mark

Master's dissertation 100%

Facilities for Working Students

The student can communicate with the supervisor online (via MSTeams).