

## Study Abroad Project (A704063)

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

**Credits 3.0**

**Study time 90 h**

**Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2024-2025**

A (semester 1)

Dutch, English, French, Gent  
German, Italian, Russian,  
Turkish

independent work

**Lecturers in academic year 2024-2025**

Eyckmans, June

LW22

lecturer-in-charge

**Offered in the following programmes in 2024-2025**

**crdts**

**offering**

Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages(main subject Dutch, English, French)

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Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages(main subject Dutch, English, German)

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Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages(main subject Dutch, English, Italian)

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Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages(main subject Dutch, English, Language Technology)

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Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages(main subject Dutch, English, Russian)

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Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages(main subject Dutch, English, Spanish)

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Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages(main subject Dutch, English, Turkish)

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Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages(main subject Dutch, French, German)

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Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages(main subject Dutch, French, Italian)

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Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages(main subject Dutch, French, Language Technology)

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Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages(main subject Dutch, French, Russian)

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Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages(main subject Dutch, French, Spanish)

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Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages(main subject Dutch, French, Turkish)

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Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages(main subject Dutch, German, Italian)

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Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages(main subject Dutch, German, Language Technology)

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Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages(main subject Dutch, German, Russian)

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Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages(main subject Dutch, German, Spanish)

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**Teaching languages**

French, Italian, German, Russian, Spanish, English, Turkish, Dutch

**Keywords**

Intercultural competence, integration in the host country, foreign language learning

**Position of the course**

This course consists of an online application focused on enriching the students' sojourn abroad by means of assignments.

**Contents**

The SALSA computer application consists of 9 assignments directed at enhancing the quantity and quality of linguistic interaction in the foreign language, and enhancing students' cultural integration. Students are required to complete three assignments per month and upload them in the online application.

**Initial competences**

No specific starting competences required.

**Final competences**

- improving receptive and productive competence in the target language
- developing intercultural competence and sensitivity
- developing an understanding of interaction between cultures and developing pragmatic competence so that interactions with native speakers are successful in both formal as informal situations
- developing socio-affective competence in international, communicative contexts
- developing a lifelong learning attitude

**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**

Independent work

**Extra information on the teaching methods**

field work: the 9 assignments require interaction of the student with the host culture  
online discussion; after the assignments are uploaded on the online platform, students are invited to respond to each others' posts  
self study: students fulfill the assignments

**Study material**

Type: Software

Name: SALSA application

Indicative price: Free or paid by faculty

Optional: no

Online Available : Yes

**References**

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doi:<http://dx.doi.org/10.1111/flan.12093>  
Kinginger, C.(2013). Social and Cultural Aspects of Language Learning in Study Abroad. Amsterdam, the Netherlands & Philadelphia, US: John Benjamins.

**Course content-related study coaching****Assessment moments**

continuous assessment

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

Assignment

**Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment**

not applicable

**Extra information on the examination methods**

The portfolio is scored and determines the result of the course.

The use of generative AI-systems when completing the assignments is strictly prohibited.

**Calculation of the examination mark**

The entire mark is determined by the portfolio.

**Facilities for Working Students**

None.