

## Module catalogue MA English Linguistics

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## ELG-M 1

<b>1. Name of the module:</b>	Methods and Skills in English Linguistics (I)					
<b>2. Subject/responsible professors:</b>	Prof. Dr. Edgar W. Schneider Prof. Dr. Roswitha Fischer					
<b>3. Contents of the module:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Methods of data collection, analysis and evaluation in linguistic research</li> <li>• Advanced academic writing</li> </ul>					
<b>4. Qualification targets of the module / skills to be acquired:</b>	<p>Students should have the following qualifications after successful completion of the module:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• describing the structure of linguistic research texts and applying them to their own texts,</li> <li>• comparing and applying various methods in the acquisition and analysis of linguistic data,</li> <li>• developing a research concept with critical assessment in a structured written form including discussion and evaluation.</li> </ul>					
<b>5. Prerequisites:</b>						
<b>a) Recommended skills:</b>	Pronounced interest in critical and academic discussions with theoretical, methodical and historical issues in linguistics					
<b>b) Obligatory certificates:</b>						
<b>6. Applicability of the module:</b>	Master programme <i>English Linguistics</i>					
<b>7. Availability of the module:</b>	Each winter term					
<b>8. Module can be completed in:</b>	1 Semester					
<b>9. Recommended semester:</b>	1. Semester					
<b>10. Workload/Credit points:</b>	<p>Effort:</p> <p>Total in hours: 360 of which</p> <p>1. Time of attendance: 4 Credit hours 2. Self-study (incl. exam): 240 hours Credit points: 12</p>					
<b>11. The module is successfully completed once the following achievements are completed:</b>						
<b>12. Components of the module:</b>						
No.	P/WP	Form of teaching	Subject area/ topic	Credit hours	CP	Academic achievement
ELG-M 1.1	P	Seminar	Academic Writing for Linguists	2	4	Portfolio
ELG-M 1.2	P	Seminar	Research Methods of Investigating Variation in English	2	8	Portfolio
<b>13. Module exam:</b>						

No.	Qualification/ topic	Type of exam	Duration	CP	Point in time/ remarks	Percentage of module grade
ELG-M 1.3	Exemplary research proposal for a in English linguistics	Research proposal (ca. 3000 words)	6 weeks	4	Following ELG-M 1.2	100%

#### **14. Remarks:**

The module should be completed in the first semester.

The module grade accounts for 10% of the overall grade.

The module exam can only take place following a Projektseminar, a Proseminar or a Hauptseminar.

## **ELG M-2**

<b>1. Name of the module:</b>	Methods and Skills in Linguistics (II)
<b>2. Subject/ responsible professors:</b>	Prof. Dr. Edgar W. Schneider Prof. Dr. Roswitha Fischer
<b>3. Contents of the module:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Classical and contemporary research topics in the field of English linguistics</li> </ul>
<b>4. Qualification targets of the module / skills to be acquired:</b>	<p>Students should have the following qualifications after successful completion of the module:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• analysis and critical assessment of studies with respect to linguistic theories and methodology</li> <li>• evaluating current research approaches in English linguistics in order to establish approaches for their own research</li> <li>• discussing and reflecting on a comprehensive linguistic study.</li> </ul>
<b>5. Prerequisites:</b>	
<b>a) Recommended skills:</b>	
<b>b) Obligatory certificates:</b>	
<b>6. Applicability of the module:</b>	Master course <i>English Linguistics</i>
<b>7. Availability of the module:</b>	Each summer term
<b>8. Module can be completed in:</b>	1 Semester
<b>9. Recommended semester:</b>	2. Semester
<b>10. Workload/Credit points:</b>	<p>Effort:</p> <p>Total in hours: 240</p> <p>of which:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Time of attendance: 4 Credit hours</li> <li>2. Self-study (incl. exam): 120 hours</li> </ol>

Credit points: 8						
<b>11. The module is successfully completed if the following achievements are completed:</b>						
<b>12. Components of the module:</b>						
No.	P/WP	Form of teaching	Subject area/ topic	Credit hours	CP	Academic achievement
ELG-M 2.1	P	S	Readings in Linguistics	2	4	Presentation and essay discussing a linguistic text (ca. 2000 words)
ELG-M 2.2	P	S/K	Research colloquium English linguistics	2	4	Reading and review (ca. 1500 words) of a linguistic study
<b>13. Remarks:</b>						

### ELG M-3

<b>1. Name of the module:</b>	English Linguistics: A Survey of Structure and Use
<b>2. Subject/ responsible professors:</b>	Prof. Dr. Edgar W. Schneider Prof. Dr. Roswitha Fischer
<b>3. Contents of the module:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview of structural characteristics of the English language and its varieties (e.g. phonetics, syntax, lexis, semantics)</li> <li>• Overview of usage of the English language and its varieties (e.g. sociolinguistics, stylistics, language acquisition)</li> <li>• Overview of linguistic theories and principal academic studies about structural characteristics and/or usage of the English language and its varieties</li> </ul>
<b>4. Qualification targets of the module / skills to be acquired:</b>	<p>Students should have the following qualifications after successful completion of the module:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• explaining, comparing and evaluating structural characteristics and usage features of the English language and its varieties</li> <li>• analysing texts regarding characteristic structural and stylistic features and evaluating these concerning their sociolinguistic and register specific significance.</li> </ul>
<b>5. Prerequisites:</b>	
<b>a) Recommended skills:</b>	
<b>b) Obligatory certificates:</b>	
<b>6. Applicability of the module:</b>	Master programme <i>English Linguistics</i>
<b>7. Availability of the module:</b>	Every semester
<b>8. Module can be completed in:</b>	1 Semester

<b>9. Recommended semester:</b>	1. Semester					
<b>10. Workload/Credit points:</b>	Effort: Total in hours: 240 of which: 1. Time of attendance: 4 Credit hours 2. Self-study (incl. exam): 120 hours Credit points: 8					
<b>11. The module is successfully completed if the following achievements are completed:</b>						
<b>12. Components of the module:</b>						
No.	P/WP	Form of teaching	Subject area/ topic	SWS	CP	Academic effort
ELG-M 3.1	P	V (Lecture)	V from the subject area <i>The Structure of English or English in Use</i>	2	4	Written exam (90 minutes)
ELG-M 3.2	P	PS	PS from the subject area <i>The Structure of English or English in Use</i>	2	4	Presentation and hand-out; alternatively: Portfolio
<b>13. Remarks:</b>						

## ELG M-4

<b>1. Name of the module:</b>	English Linguistics: Studying Structure and Use
<b>2. Subject/ responsible professors:</b>	Prof. Dr. Edgar W. Schneider Prof. Dr. Roswitha Fischer
<b>3. Contents of the module:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advanced studies of structural characteristics of the English language and its varieties (e.g. phonetics, syntax, lexis, semantics)</li> <li>• Advanced studies of usage of the English language and its varieties (e.g. sociolinguistics, stylistic, language acquisition)</li> </ul>
<b>4. Qualification targets of the module / skills to be acquired:</b>	<p>Students should have the following qualifications after successful completion of the module:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• compiling appropriate literature and information for their own analyses with critical oral and written consideration,</li> <li>• working on a topic of the area <i>Structure and use of the English language</i> and its varieties on the basis of their own analyses including selected studies of specialised literature.</li> </ul>
<b>5. Prerequisites:</b>	
<b>a) Recommended skills:</b>	

<b>b) Obligatory certificates:</b>							
<b>6. Applicability of the module:</b>	Master programme <i>English Linguistics</i>						
<b>7. Availability of the module:</b>	every semester						
<b>8. Module can be completed in:</b>	1 Semester						
<b>9. Recommended semester:</b>	2. Semester						
<b>10. Workload/Credit points:</b>	Effort: Total in hours: 240 of which: 1. Time of attendance: 2 Credit hours 2. Self-study (incl. exam): 180 hours Credit points: 8						
<b>11. The module is successfully completed once the following achievements are completed:</b>							
<b>12. Components of the module:</b>							
No.	P/WP	Form of teaching	Subject area/ topic	SW	CP	Academic achievement	
ELG-M 4.1	P	PS	PS of the subject area <i>The Structure of English</i> or <i>English in Use</i>	2	8	Presentation incl. hand-out and/or portfolio	
<b>13. Module exam:</b>							
No.	Competence/ topic		Type of exam	Duration	CP	Point in time/ remarks	Percentage of module grade
ELG-M 4.2	Working on a topic in English linguistics with a focus on the usage or structure of English		Term paper (ca. 6000 words)	6 weeks	--	Following ELG-M 4.1	100%
<b>14. Remarks:</b> The module grade accounts for 10% of the overall grade. The module exam can only take place following a Projektseminar, a Proseminar or a Hauptseminar.							

## ELG M-5

<b>1. Name of the module:</b>	Evolution and Variation in English (I)
<b>2. Subject/ responsible professors:</b>	Prof. Dr. Edgar W. Schneider Prof. Dr. Roswitha Fischer
<b>3. Contents of the</b>	• Main features of diachronic evolution of the English

<b>module:</b>	language and its varieties since its genesis until today <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Basic theories of language change and linguistic evolutionary processes</li> <li>• Principles of linguistic variation under the influence of social, regional and register specific parameters</li> </ul>					
<b>4. Qualification targets of the module / skills to be acquired:</b>	Students should have the following qualifications after successful completion of the module: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• differentiating and characterising lines of evolution of the English language on different linguistic areas,</li> <li>• demonstrating and explaining phenomena of linguistic variation in relation to processes of linguistic change (e.g. correlation linguistic patterns with extra- und inner linguistic aspects, relations between linguistic areas).</li> </ul>					
<b>5. Prerequisites:</b>						
<b>a) Recommended skills:</b>						
<b>b) Obligatory certificates:</b>						
<b>6. Applicability of the module:</b>	Master programme <i>English Linguistics</i>					
<b>7. Availability of the module:</b>	At least once per academic year					
<b>8. Module can be completed in:</b>	1 Semester					
<b>9. Recommended semester:</b>	ELG-M 5.1: 1.-2. Semester; ELG 5.2, 5.3: 1.-3. Semester					
<b>10. Workload/Credit points:</b>	Effort: Total in hours: 420 of which: 1. Time of attendance: 6 credit hours 2. Self-study (incl. exam): 240 hours Credit points: 14					
<b>11. The module is successfully completed, if the following achievements are completed:</b>						
<b>12. Components of the module:</b>						
No.	P/WP	Form of teaching	Subject area/ topic	SW	SCP	Academic achievement
ELG-M 5.1	P	V (lecture)/S	Historical Evolution of English	2	4	Written exam (90 minutes)
ELG-M 5.2	P	V (lecture)/PS	V/PS of the subject area Evolution and Variation in English	2	4	if V: Written exam (90 minutes) if PS: Presentation and hand-out; alternatively: portfolio
ELG-M 5.3	P	HS	HS of the subject area Evolution and Variation in English	2	6	Presentation and hand-out; alternatively: Portfolio
<b>13. Remarks:</b>						

## ELG M-6

<b>1. Name of the module:</b>	Evolution and Variation in English (II)				
<b>2. Subject/ responsible professors:</b>	Prof. Dr. Edgar W. Schneider Prof. Dr. Roswitha Fischer				
<b>3. Contents of the module:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advanced knowledge of the diachronic evolution of the English language and its varieties since its genesis until today</li> <li>• Research and analysis of language change and linguistic evolutionary processes in the history of the English language</li> <li>• Methodology and research of language variation under the influence of social, regional and register specific parameters</li> </ul>				
<b>4. Qualification targets of the module / skills to be acquired:</b>	<p>Students should have the following qualifications after successful completion of the module:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• analysing lines of evolution of the English language on different linguistic levels,</li> <li>• reflecting critically on theories on issues in variational research,</li> <li>• developing and empirically testing hypotheses in relation to linguistic variation and diachronic evolution.</li> </ul>				
<b>5. Prerequisites:</b>					
<b>a) Recommended skills:</b>					
<b>b) Obligatory certificates:</b>					
<b>6. Applicability of the module:</b>	Master programme <i>English Linguistics</i>				
<b>7. Availability of the module:</b>	At least once per academic year				
<b>8. Module can be completed in:</b>	1 Semester				
<b>9. Recommended semester:</b>	2.-3. Semester				
<b>10. Workload/Credit points:</b>	<p>Effort:</p> <p>Total in hours: 300</p> <p>of which:</p> <p>1. Time of attendance: 2 credit hours</p> <p>2. Self-study (incl. exam): 240 hours</p> <p>Credit points: 10</p>				
<b>11. The module is successfully completed, if the following achievements are completed:</b>					
<b>12. Components of the module:</b>					
No.	P/WP	Form of teaching	Subject area/ topic	SWSCP	Academic achievement



ELG-M 6.1	P	HS	HS of the subject area Evolution and Variation in English	2	10	Presentation and hand-out; alternatively: portfolio	
<b>13. Module exam:</b>							
No.	Competence/ topic		Type of exam	Duration	CP	Point in time/ remarks	Percentage of the module grade
ELG-M 6.2	Working on a topic of evolution und variation in the English language		Term paper (ca. 6000 words)	6 weeks	--	Following ELG-M 6.1	100%
<b>14. Remarks:</b>							
The module grade accounts for 15% of the overall grade.							
The module exam can only take place following a Projektseminar, a Proseminar or a Hauptseminar.							

## ELG M-7

<b>1. Name of the module:</b>	English: Variation, Contact and Multilingualism (I)
<b>2. Subject/ responsible professors:</b>	Prof. Dr. Edgar W. Schneider Prof. Dr. Roswitha Fischer
<b>3. Contents of the module:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Basic theories, models, methodology and application examples of the areas English language variation, language contact and multilingualism</li> </ul>
<b>4. Qualification targets of the module / skills to be acquired:</b>	<p>Students should have the following qualifications after successful completion of the module:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• comparing and evaluating theories and models of the above mentioned areas,</li> <li>• project-based application of research methodology of the above mentioned areas.</li> </ul>
<b>5. Prerequisites:</b>	
<b>a) Recommended skills:</b>	
<b>b) Obligatory certificates:</b>	
<b>6. Applicability of the module:</b>	Master programme <i>English Linguistics</i>
<b>7. Availability of the module:</b>	At least once per academic year
<b>8. Module can be completed in:</b>	1 Semester
<b>9. Recommended semester:</b>	2.-4. Semester
<b>10. Workload/Credit points:</b>	<p>Effort:</p> <p>Total in hours: 300</p> <p>of which:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Time of attendance: 4 credit hours</li> <li>2. Self-study (incl. exam): 180 hours</li> </ol>

						Credit points: 10
<b>11. The module is successfully completed, if the following achievements are completed:</b>						
<b>12. Components of the module:</b>						
No.	P/WP	Form of teaching	Subject area/ topic	SW	SCP	Academic achievements
ELG-M 7.1	P	V/PS	V/PS of the subject area English: Variation, Contact and Multilingualism	2	4	if V: Written exam (90 minutes) if PS: Presentation and hand-out; alternatively: portfolio
ELG-M 7.2	P	HS	HS of the subject area English: Variation, Contact and Multilingualism	2	6	Presentation and hand-out; alternatively: portfolio
<b>13. Remarks:</b>						

## ELG M-8

<b>1. Name of the module:</b>	English: Variation, Contact and Multilingualism (II)
<b>2. Subject/responsible professors:</b>	Prof. Dr. Edgar W. Schneider Prof. Dr. Roswitha Fischer
<b>3. Contents of the module:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advanced theories, models, methodology and applications of the areas English language variation, language contact and multilingualism</li> </ul>
<b>4. Qualification targets of the module / skills to be acquired:</b>	<p>Students should have the following qualifications after successful completion of the module:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>reflecting theories, models and methodology regarding applicability to research questions in current research to above mentioned areas,</li> <li>demonstrating that methods and theories of the above mentioned areas can be applied and be target-group-specifically put into writing in the context of an empirical study.</li> </ul>
<b>5. Prerequisites:</b>	
<b>a) Recommended skills:</b>	
<b>b) Obligatory certificates:</b>	
<b>6. Applicability of the module:</b>	Master programme <i>English Linguistics</i>
<b>7. Availability of the module:</b>	At least once per academic year
<b>8. Module can be completed in:</b>	1 Semester

<b>9. Recommended semester:</b>	2.-4. Semester						
<b>10. Workload/Credit points:</b>	Effort: Total in hours: 300 of which: 1. Time of attendance: 2 credit hours 2. Self-study (incl. exam): 240 hours Credit points: 10						
<b>11. The module is successfully completed, if the following achievements are completed:</b>							
<b>12. Components of the module:</b>							
No.	P/WP	Form of teaching	Subject area/ topic	SWS	LP	Academic achievement	
ELG-M 8.1	P	HS	HS of the subject area <i>English: Variation, Contact and Multilingualism</i>	2	10	Presentation and hand-out; alternatively: portfolio	
<b>13. Module exam:</b>							
No.	Competence/ topic		Type of exam	Duration	CP	Point in time/remarks	Percentage of the module grade
ELG-M 8.2	Working on a topic on variation of the English language and its varieties, language contact or multilingualism		Term paper (ca. 6000 words)	6 weeks	--	Following ELG-M 8.1	100%
<b>14. Remarks:</b>							
The module grade accounts for 15% of the overall grade. The module exam can only take place following a Projektseminar, a Proseminar or a Hauptseminar.							

## ELG M-9

<b>1. Name of the module:</b>	Praxismodul (Practical module)
<b>2. Subject/ responsible professors:</b>	Prof. Dr. Edgar W. Schneider Prof. Dr. Roswitha Fischer
<b>3. Contents of the module:</b>	• Internship
<b>4. Qualification targets of the module / skills to be acquired:</b>	Students should have the following qualifications after successful completion of the module: • autonomously planning, preparing, executing and

	documenting an internship in the area of English Linguistics.					
<b>5. Prerequisites:</b>						
<b>a) Recommended skills:</b>						
<b>b) Obligatory certificates:</b>						
<b>6. Applicability of the module:</b>	Master programme <i>English Linguistics</i>					
<b>7. Availability of the module:</b>	Internship anytime; colloquium at least once per academic year					
<b>8. Module can be completed in:</b>	1-2 semesters					
<b>9. Recommended semester:</b>	2.-4. Semester					
<b>10. Workload/Credit points:</b>	Effort: Minimum duration of the internship: 4 weeks Total in hours: 400 of which: 1. Organisation and preparation: 40 hours 2. Execution: 300 hours 3. Presentation and internship report: 60 hours Credit points: 13					
<b>11. The module is successfully completed, if the following achievements are completed:</b>						
<b>12. Components of the module:</b>						
No.	P/WP	Form of teaching	Subject area/ topic	SW	CP	Academic achievement
ELG-M 9.1	P	Internship	autonomous organisation, preparation and execution of an internship		11	
ELG-M 9.2	P	K	Presentation and documentation of the internship		2	Presentation and internship report (ca. 8000 words)
<b>13. Remarks:</b>						

## ELG M-10

<b>1. Name of the module:</b>	Master thesis
<b>2. Subject/responsible professors:</b>	Prof. Dr. Edgar W. Schneider Prof. Dr. Roswitha Fischer

<b>3. Contents of the module:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Master thesis</li> </ul>						
<b>4. Qualification targets of the module / skills to be acquired:</b>	<p>Students should have the following qualifications after successful completion of the module:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• autonomously working on a topic of English linguistics,</li> <li>• researching, critically evaluating and processing academic literature</li> <li>• appropriately choosing and applying linguistic methods and conducting analyses,</li> <li>• writing a comprehensive study on an academic level.</li> </ul>						
<b>5. Prerequisites:</b>							
<b>a) Recommended skills:</b>							
<b>b) Obligatory certificates:</b>	Modules ELG-M1, M2, M3 and M4; 24 LP of the modules ELG-M5, M6, M7 or M8						
<b>6. Applicability of the module:</b>	Master programme <i>English Linguistics</i>						
<b>7. Availability of the module:</b>	Master thesis every semester, colloquium at least once per academic year; seminars every semester						
<b>8. Module can be completed in:</b>	1 Semester						
<b>9. Recommended semester:</b>	4. Semester						
<b>10. Workload/Credit points:</b>	<p>Effort:</p> <p>Total in hours: 780</p> <p>of which:</p> <p>1. Time of attendance: 2 SWS</p> <p>2. Self-study (incl. exam): 750 hours</p> <p>Credit points: 27</p>						
<b>11. The module is successfully completed, if the following achievements are completed:</b>							
<b>12. Components of the module:</b>							
No.	P/WP	Form of teaching	Subject area/ topic	SW	CP	Academic achievements	
	P	S/K	Research colloquium English linguistics or thematically relevant seminar	2	5	Presentation of the Master thesis project	
<b>13. Module exam:</b>							
No.	Competence/ topic		Type of exam	Duration	CP	Point in time/ remarks	Percentage of the module grade
ELG-M 10.	Working on a topic of English linguistic		Master thesis (ca. 32000 words)	4 months	22		100%

**14. Remarks:**

The module grade accounts for 50% of the overall grade.