SOFIA UNIVERSITY ST. KLIMENY OHRIDSKI

FACULTY OF CLASSICAL AND MODERN PHILOLOGY

CURRICULUM

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Professional Field: 2.1. PHILOLOGY

Educational and Qualification Degree: „Master"

Area of Study: ENGLISH AND AMERICAN STUDIES

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/Master's Degree Program: LANGUAGE AND LANGUAGE SCIENCES (ENGLISH) (for graduates of English philology)

Form of Study: full-time
Length of Study (number of weeks*/-): 2 semesters (30 weeks)

Professional Qualification: MA in English Studies with specialization in language sciences

Qualification Description

Master's Degree Program:

1. Aims and Educational Objectives

The Language and Language Sciences (English) program offers specialized professional training in a wide range of disciplines related to the study of language (with a focus on English), as well as the different worlds (spheres of communication and domains) with which language is connected (be they physical, imaginary, fictional, possible, etc.) The program is interdisciplinary and its main goal is to equip students with analytical skills, a philosophical outlook and knowledge about all incarnations and beings of language.

2. Description of the educational content (knowledge and skills required for a successful professional realization; general and theoretical background, specific areas of study, etc.)

Students can choose from a large pool of language studies and courses that showcase a variety of possible incarnations of language (cultural worlds, fictional worlds, transhuman worlds, etc.) analysed in contemporary interpretations of British, American and other English-speaking cultures, in the setting of today's global world of cultural diversity. The program aims to foster critical thinking and analytical skills for working at the level of textual and cultural practices, meeting the needs of modern society. The language of instruction is English and the program welcomes international students. Students can participate in the ERASMUS student exchange program and obtain some of the requisite credits from universities in other countries.

3. Professional and general competences, specific competences

Students gain in-depth knowledge of the dimensions of language and the horizons for analyzing human activities through the prism of language and language sciences, as well as the structure and use of English compared to their native language. They also get the chance to improve their communication skills in a variety of intercultural communicative settings in the context of cultural diversity in the modern world. They acquire all the necessary skills to analyze any language from different points of view, which allows them to continue their studies at the next level of education - the PhD level.

4. Professional realization (according to the National Classification of Occupations in the Republic of Bulgaria /based on the International Standard Classification of Occupations (ISCO)/ and in reference to the place of the future specialists in the National Qualifications Framework for higher education and the European Qualifications Framework for higher education)

In addition to becoming highly qualified researchers and instructors or educators in all areas of language sciences, successful graduates of the master's program can work in all fields where specialists and consultants are needed in linguistics, in foreign language teaching, and in communications and advertising activities. They can work as experts in European cultural and educational institutions or in domestic and foreign non-governmental organizations and companies, as well as in structures dealing with the development of human resources. They can continue their education in the third degree as PhD students in any field of language sciences. According to the National Classification of Occupations in the Republic of Bulgaria (ISCO), as an upgrading specialization for graduates of "English Philology" can pursue careers in the fields:

- 2643-6009 - philologist, in various professions with code
- 264 "Writers, journalists, linguists";
- 2653 "Translators and other linguists"
-1345 "Managers in education"
- Class 2 "Specialists";
- 231 "Teachers in higher education".

According to the classification framework of the European Higher Education Area, the knowledge, competences and skills they receive correspond to level 7.

Program code

Area of Study "English and American Studies" / Master's Degree Programme Language and Language Sciences

admission winter semester of 2025-2026 academic year

№	Course Code	Course Title	Type- C, E, O	Semester	ECTS credits	Classes - total number					Classes per week	Assessment* - e, ca, ce, cont.
						Total	Lectures	Seminars	Practical Classes/ Observation	Self study		
1	*2*	*3*	*4*	*5*	*6*	*7*	*8*	*9*	*10*	*11*	*12*	*13*
Core Subjects												
1	C 0 1 0	Discourse analysis	C	1	4	120	45			75	3+0	ce
2	C 0 2 0	Language and globalization	C	1	5	150	45	15		60	3+1	ce
3	C 0 3 0	Methodology of writing an MA thesis	C	1	3	90	45			45	3+0	ce
4	C 0 4 0	Corpus Linguistics	C	1	6	180	45	15		120	3+1	ce
5	C 0 5 0	Language and society	C	2	4	120	45			45	3+0	ce
6	C 0 6 0	Contrastive Linguistics	C	2	5	150	45	15		60	3+1	ce
Elective Courses – the chosen electives have to contribute to minimum 18 credits for the first semester and 6 for the second												
1	E 0 1 0	Language relativity	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ca
2	E 0 2 0	Linguistic anthropology	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ca
3	E 0 3 0	Language in the humanities: the Anglo-American heritage	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
4	E 0 4 0	Literary journalism	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ca
5	E 0 5 0	Psycholinguistics	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	e
6	E 0 6 0	Linguistic and cultural aspects of translation	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
7	E 0 7 0	Theories and sciences of language	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
8	E 0 8 0	The language of politeness	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
9	E 0 9 0	Word formation in contemporary English	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ca
10	E 1 0 0	Models of natural language processing	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce

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11	E	1	1	0	Grammatical analysis	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	e
12	E	1	2	0	Metaphor in language and thought	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
13	E	1	3	0	Computational linguistics	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
14	E	1	4	0	Media, society and translation	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ca
15	E	1	5	0	Language contact	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
16	E	1	6	0	Language and identity	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
17	E	1	7	0	Pragmatics	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ca
18	E	1	8	0	Language universals and typology	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ca
19	E	1	9	0	Varieties of spoken English	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
20	E	2	0	0	Speech analysis	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
21	E	2	1	0	Language gaffs	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
22	E	2	2	0	Political discourse	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
23	E	2	3	0	Linguistic and cultural diversity on stage and screen	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
24	E	2	4	0	Inclusive language	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
25	E	2	5	0	Narratology: cognitive and semiotic models, operational linguistics	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
26	E	2	6	0	Mediating meaning - disembodying language	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
27	E	2	7	0	Worlds in text and discourse	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	то
28	E	2	8	0	Linguistic Fieldwork	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
29	E	2	9	0	Language contact: English and French	E	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
Optional courses - minimum number of 0 credits															
1	O	0	1	0	Forign language	O	1.2	4	180		60		120	0+4	ca
2	O	0	2	0	Interdisciplinary course	O	1.2	3	90	30			60	2+0	ca

Degree Completion

Form of degree completion	ECTS credits	First State Exam Session	Second State Exam Session
Defence of an Master's thesis	15	October	April

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The list of elective courses is finalised before the beginning of each semester in accordance with academic staff availability and visitng lecturers, as well as the wishes of the enrolled students. The students have the right, after a consultations with the director(s) of the programe to choose an elective course from other MA programs in the department/faculty.

DEAN:.....
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| Course hours, ECTS credits and number of grades per semester | | |