



# SOFIA UNIVERSITY "ST. KLIMENT OHRIDSKI"

FACULTY OF CLASSICAL AND MODERN PHILOLOGY



## CURRICULUM

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Subject Area: 1.3 Pedagogy of Foreign Language Teaching

BA Program

Major: Methodology of Foreign Language Teaching - Korean Language

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Form of Study: Full-time

Duration of study (number of semesters): 8 (eight) semesters

Location – Burgas Branch

Professional qualification:

Teacher of Korean Language

## Qualification Description

### Major: Methodology of Foreign Language Teaching - Korean Language

#### 1. Orientation, educational objectives

The program "Methodology of Foreign Language Teaching – Korean Language" is a modern and perspective university major in Bulgaria. It offers regular academic training focused on preparing teachers in the Korean language—as part of fundamental knowledge about the East. Graduates who successfully complete the full course of study may pursue a Master's degree, and subsequently a Doctoral (PhD) degree. The curriculum is designed for students with a strong interest in linguodidactics, philological, and pedagogical research, as well as those who wish to work in an intercultural educational environment. The program combines intensive Korean language instruction with well-balanced courses in Korean linguistics, literature, culture, and area studies, supported by a wide selection of elective courses across various fields of Korean Studies.

The primary goal of the program is to prepare highly qualified pedagogical specialists in the field of foreign language education, with a specific focus on teaching Korean as a foreign language. Courses in practical Korean develop advanced communicative competence in both spoken and written forms of the language. Theoretical subjects enhance students' linguistic, pedagogical, and methodological knowledge and skills necessary for effective Korean language instruction. The curriculum is aligned with the specific needs and characteristics of humanities education and cultivates analytical and synthetic skills, critical thinking, and the ability to evaluate and defend scientific concepts, as well as to apply them in practice. In this way, the program provides real opportunities for students to refine their practical language abilities, communicative competence, and pedagogical expertise.

#### 2. Training (knowledge and skills necessary for successful professional activity; general theoretical and special training, etc.)

The methodology of instruction is developed in full accordance with the core objectives of the program. The curriculum and syllabi are aligned with the requirements of the respective educational qualification level in this professional field, as well as with national standards for the preparation of competent specialists. The compulsory pedagogical module includes pedagogical, psychological, educational-management, and subject-specific didactic courses. The program employs modern interactive teaching methods that reflect the latest trends in practical Korean language instruction. The teaching staff is highly qualified and includes habilitated professors from the Korean Studies program at Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski," as well as native speakers, ensuring high-quality instruction and authentic language acquisition. The preparation of pedagogical specialists complies with European standards in the field of educational sciences. The interdisciplinary nature of the program ensures the development of professionals with strong academic and practical competencies, capable of pursuing careers in education and research, as well as in various other spheres of public and professional life.

The overall structure and orientation of the program provide broad opportunities for professional development and career realization. Graduates acquire not only the necessary skills for teaching Korean as a foreign language, but also comprehensive analytical and evaluative competencies applicable in a wide range of academic and practical contexts.

### **3. Professional and general competencies, specific competencies**

The Bachelor's program "Methodology of Foreign Language Teaching – Korean Language" prepares highly qualified professionals with independent and critical thinking, oriented toward continuous growth and development. Graduates acquire systematic knowledge and a high level of proficiency in Korean, both in written and spoken form. Their specialized competencies include the ability to organize and manage the foreign language teaching process in a dynamic, multilingual environment. Today, the field of foreign language education is continuously expanding to encompass the multifaceted aspects of communication, language, and language teaching and acquisition within a multicultural educational context.

### **4. Professional realization (according to the National Classification of Occupations and Positions in the Republic of Bulgaria / international classifications and according to the position of the future specialist in the national qualification framework for higher education and the qualification framework of the European Higher Education Area)**

Graduates of the Bachelor's program "Methodology of Foreign Language Teaching – Korean Language" are equipped to pursue a wide range of professional paths. They are qualified to work as teachers within the national educational system, as instructors and experts in Korean language education, and as specialists in the field of linguistics. The program also prepares graduates for positions in academic and research institutions, as well as roles related to educational policy and socio-pedagogical activities at municipal and institutional levels. In addition, graduates may serve as consultants in governmental, non-governmental, and private organizations, and as coordinators or leaders of methodological units in foreign language education and intercultural communication. They possess the competencies required to teach professionally oriented foreign language courses in multicultural environments and to work as specialists in intercultural foreign language education and training.

Their professional realization may include positions as:

231 Teachers in higher education

232 Teachers of vocational training in vocational education and training and teachers in vocational training centers

233 Teachers of general education in secondary education (grades V-XII)

264 Writers, journalists and linguists

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## "Methodology of Foreign Language Teaching - Korean Language" BA Program

Program code

Academic year beginning from 2026/ 2027

№	Course code	Course Title	Type – C, E, O	Term	ECTS credits	Number of classes - total					Number of classes per week	Type of Grading* - e, ce, cm, a
						Total	Lectures	Seminars	Practical classes / practice	Extracurricular activities		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
<b>Compulsory courses</b>												
1	C 0 1 0	Korean Language, Part I	c	1	15	450	90		120	240	6+8	ce
2	C 0 2 0	Korea: A General Overview	c	1	4	120	30			90	2+0	ce
3	C 0 3 0	Korean Language - Upgrading Techniques, Part I	c	1	2	60			30	30	0+2	ce
4	C 0 4 0	Korean Language, Part II	c	2	15	450	90		120	240	6+8	ce
5	C 0 5 0	Korean Language: Phonetics and Lexicology	c	2	5	150	45			105	3+0	ce
6	C 0 6 0	Sino-Korean Vocabulary and Characters	c	2	4	120	30			90	2+0	ce
7	C 0 7 0	Korean Language - Upgrading Techniques, Part II	c	2	2	60			30	30	0+2	ce
8	C 0 8 0	Korean Language, Part III	c	3	15	450	90		120	240	6+8	ce
9	C 0 9 0	Korean Language: Morphology	c	3	2	60	30			30	2+0	ce
10	C 1 0 0	Introduction to Korean History	c	3	4	120	30			90	2+0	ce
11	C 1 1 0	Sport, Part I	c	3	2	60			30	30	0+2	e
12	C 1 2 0	Korean Language, Part IV	c	4	15	450	90		120	240	6+8	ce
13	C 1 3 0	Korean Language: Syntax	c	4	2	60	30			30	2+0	e
14	C 1 4 0	Korean Literature	c	4	4	120	30			90	2+0	ce
15	C 1 5 0	Pedagogy	c	4	4	120	60			60	4+0	e
16	C 1 6 0	Sport, Part II	c	4	2	60			30	30	0+2	e
17	C 1 7 0	Korean Language, Part V	c	5	15	450	90		120	240	6+8	ce

18	C	1	8	0	Pragmatics of the Korean Language	c	5	4	120	30			90	2+0	ce
19	C	1	9	0	Psychology	c	5	4	120	60			60	4+0	e
20	C	2	0	0	Sport, Part III	c	5	2	60			30	30	0+2	e
21	C	2	1	0	Korean Language, Part VI	c	6	15	450	90		120	240	6+8	ce
22	C	2	2	0	Development of Teaching Materials for Korean Language	c	6	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
23	C	2	3	0	Information and Communication Technologies in Education and Work in a Digital Environment	c	6	2	60	30			30	2+0	e
24	C	2	4	0	Inclusive Education	c	6	2	60	30			30	2+0	e
25	C	2	5	0	Sport, Part IV	c	6	2	60			30	30	0+2	e
26	C	2	6	0	Korean Language, Part VII	c	7	8	240	60			180	4+0	ce
27	C	2	7	0	Methodology of Korean language teaching	c	7	6	180	60	30		90	4+2	e
28	C	2	8	0	Competency-based approach and innovation in education	c	7	3	90	45			45	3+0	e
29	C	2	9	0	Korean Language, Part VIII	c	8	6	180	45			135	3+0	ce
<b>Elective courses</b> – the selected courses must cover a minimum of 40 credits (1st semester – min. 9 credits; 2nd semester – min. 4 credits; 3rd semester – min. 7 credits; 4th semester – min. 3 credits; 5th semester – min. 5 credits; 6th semester – min. 6 credits; 7th semester – min. 7 credits from elective courses, at least two of them from a pedagogical module, first group; 8th semester – min. 4 credits from 2 courses from a pedagogical module, second group).															
1	E	0	1	0	Introduction to Academic Writing and Presentation	e	1,2,3,4,5,6,7	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
2	E	0	2	0	Korean Mythology	e	1,2,3,4	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
3	E	0	3	0	Introduction to Calligraphy	e	1,2,3,4	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
4	E	0	4	0	Hallyu and the World	e	1,2,3,4	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
5	E	0	5	0	Food Culture in Korea	e	1,2,3,4	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
6	E	0	6	0	Korean Language Proficiency Test, Part I	e	1,2,3,4	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
7	E	0	7	0	China, Korea and Japan: A Brief Introduction to the Culture	e	1,2,3,4	3	90	45			45	3+0	e
8	E	0	8	0	Introduction to the History of East Asia	e	1,2,3,4	2	60	30			30	2+0	e
9	E	0	9	0	History and Culture of the Nomadic States in Central Asia	e	1,2,3,4	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
10	E	1	0	0	Shamanism in Korea and Central Asia	e	1,2,3,4	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
11	E	1	1	0	Korean Language Proficiency Test, Part II	e	2,3,4,5,6	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
12	E	1	2	0	Sino-Korean Characters, Part I	e	3,4,5,6	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
13	E	1	3	0	Korean Ritual Folklore	e	4,5,6	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce

14	E	1	4	0	Korean Culture: Tradition and Modernity	e	4,5,6,7	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
15	E	1	5	0	Ethnography of Korea	e	4,5,6,7, 8	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
16	E	1	6	0	Sino-Korean Characters, Part II	e	5,6,7,8	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
17	E	1	7	0	Korean for Tourist Guiding	e	5,6,7,8	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
18	E	1	8	0	Translation of Korean Graphic Novels and Webtoons	e	5,6,7,8	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
19	E	1	9	0	Analysis and Translation of Media Texts	e	5,6,7,8	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
20	E	2	0	0	Sino-Korean Characters, Part III	e	5,6,7,8	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
21	E	2	1	0	Korean-Bulgarian Interpreting	e	5,6,7,8	3	90	15		15	60	1+1	ce
22	E	2	2	0	Discussions and Debates in Korean	e	5,6,7,8	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
23	E	2	3	0	Sino-Korean Characters, Part IV	e	6,7,8	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
24	E	2	4	0	Religious and Philosophical Traditions in Korea	e	6,7,8	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
25	E	2	5	0	Modern Korean Society	e	6,7,8	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
26	E	2	6	0	Sociolinguistics	e	6,7,8	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
27	E	2	7	0	Multimedia Korean	e	6,7,8	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
28	E	2	8	0	Political System of the Republic of Korea	e	7,8	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
29	E	2	9	0	Culture and Society of North Korea	e	7,8	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
30	E	3	0	0	The Korean Language in the DPRK	e	7,8	3	90	30			60	2+0	ce
<b>Pedagogical module</b>															
Elective courses from the first group - pedagogical, psychological, educational-management and private-didactic - at least 2 courses are selected.															
31	E	3	1	0	Pedagogical Interaction in a Multicultural Environment	e	7,8	2	60	30			30	2+0	e
32	E	3	2	0	Digital Competence and Digital Creativity	e	7,8	2	60	30			30	2+0	e
33	E	3	3	0	Developing lessons for learning in an electronic environment	e	7,8	2	60	30			30	2+0	e
34	E	3	4	0	Communication skills in an educational environment	e	7,8	2	60	30			30	2+0	e
35	E	3	5	0	Leadership in Education	e	7,8	2	60	30			30	2+0	e

36	E	3	6	0	Relationship management in an educational environment	e	7.8	2	60	30			30	2+0	e
37	E	3	7	0	Management of Educational Institutions	e	7.8	2	60	30			30	2+0	e
38	E	3	8	0	The Foreign Language Lesson	e	7.8	2	60	30			30	2+0	e
39	E	3	9	0	Global simulations	e	7.8	2	60	30			30	2+0	e
40	E	4	0	0	Educational lexicography	e	7.8	2	60	30			30	2+0	e
Elective courses from the second group (interdisciplinary and applied-experimental disciplines, the training of which provides an upgrade of competencies related to the specifics of the professional qualification) - at least 2 courses are selected.															
41	E	4	1	0	Introduction to Empruntology	e	7.8	2	60	30			30	2+0	e
42	E	4	2	0	The Intercultural Approach in Foreign Language Learning	e	7.8	2	60	30			30	2+0	e
43	E	4	3	0	Media in Foreign Language Learning	e	7.8	2	60	30			30	2+0	e
44	E	4	4	0	Internet Information Technologies in Foreign Language Teaching	e	7.8	2	60	30			30	2+0	e
45	E	4	5	0	Language Tests	e	7.8	2	60	30			30	2+0	e
46	E	4	6	0	Analysis of cross-linguistic understanding	e	7.8	2	60	30			30	2+0	e
47	E	4	7	0	Communication and textbooks	e	7.8	2	60	30			30	2+0	e
48	E	4	8	0	Cultural dimension in foreign language teaching	e	7.8	2	60	30			30	2+0	e
49	E	4	9	0	Language curricula	e	7.8	2	60	30			30	2+0	e
50	E	5	0	0	Digital media literacy for pedagogical specialists in Foreign Language Teaching	e	7.8	2	60	30			30	2+0	ce
Optional Courses (compulsory for selection)															
1	O	0	0	1	Academic writing for pedagogical purposes	o	7	1	30	15			15	1+0	e
Optional Courses															
Факултативни дисциплини - минимален брой 0 кредита															
2	O	0	0	2	Bulgarian as a Foreign Language, Part I	o	1	4	120			60	60	0+4	e
3	O	0	0	3	Bulgarian as a Foreign Language, Part II	o	2	4	120			60	60	0+4	e
4	O	0	0	4	Bulgarian as a Foreign Language, Part III	o	3	4	120			60	60	0+4	e
5	O	0	0	5	Bulgarian as a Foreign Language, Part IV	o	4	4	120			60	60	0+4	e
Module "Philology and Business"															

6	0	0	0	6	Business models in the outsourcing industry	o	3-8	3	90	15	15	60	1+1	ce
7	0	0	0	7	Searching for business information on the Internet	o	3-8	3	90	15	15	60	1+1	ce
8	0	0	0	8	Skills for summarizing and synthesizing economic data	o	3-8	3	90	15	15	60	1+1	ce
9	0	0	0	9	Business Basics	o	3-8	3	90	15	15	60	1+1	ce
10	0	0	1	0	The keys to professional success – skills that are valuable to acquire and develop	o	3-8	3	90	15	15	60	1+1	ce

**Notes:**

1. The list of elective and optional didactic courses is updated periodically in accordance with the proposals of the Department of Methodology of Foreign Language Teaching at the Faculty of Foreign Languages and the professors of the program. The training for acquiring the professional qualification "teacher" finishes with a state practical-applied exam.
2. The list of offered courses is updated periodically in accordance with the proposals of the professors of the program. Courses from the curricula of the Japanese and Chinese Studies programs are also offered as elective courses.
3. Elective courses for which more than one semester is specified may be offered in two consecutive semesters, but are held only once within the academic year.
4. The training provides for mandatory practice in the academic major.
5. The course "Bulgarian as a Foreign Language" is offered only to foreign students and is mandatory for them.
6. In relation to Erasmus+ training, successfully passed exams are recognized and entered in the diploma as elective interdisciplinary courses.
7. In relation to one-year specializations in Korea and other countries, after students' return, successfully passed exams are recognized and entered in the diploma as elective interdisciplinary subjects. Students have the right to choose from all elective courses in the curriculum, regardless of the grade of study.

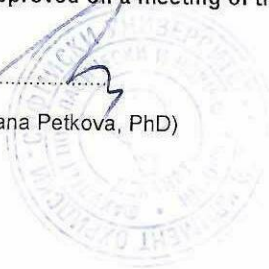
**Learning practices**

No	Code	Practice title	Type C, E, O	Semester	ECTS credits	Weeks	Hours	Type of Grading* - e, ca, m, a
1	P 0 1 0	Practice on the Major	c	8	4	15	120	ca
<b>Pedagogical module</b>								
2	P 0 2 0	Classroom Observation	c	7	2	15	30	e

3	P	0	3	0	Current Pedagogical Practice	c	7	4	15	60	ca
4	P	0	4	0	Internship Practice	c	8	6	15	90	ca
<b>Graduation</b>											
Method of graduation						ECTS credits	First State Session	Second State Session			
State Examination											
1. Written state exam in Korean. 2. Oral state exam in Korean. 3. State practical exam for acquiring the professional qualification "teacher"						10	July	September			
Total number of credits						10					

The Curriculum has been approved on a meeting of the Faculty Council with minutes № 3 from 11.11.2025

DEAN:.....  
(Prof. Gergana Petkova, PhD)



**Curriculum Reference Statement**

"Methodology of Foreign Language Teaching - Korean Language" BA Program

Form of study: Full-time study, Duration of study: 8 (eight) semesters

Course Load, ECTS -credits and course completion per semester																																	
Type of courses	I			II			III			IV			V			VI			VII			VIII			IX			X			Total		
	Course Load - number of classes	ECTS - credits	number of grades	Course Load - number of classes	ECTS - credits	number of grades	Course Load - number of classes	ECTS - credits	number of grades	Course Load - number of classes	ECTS - credits	number of grades	Course Load - number of classes	ECTS - credits	number of grades	Course Load - number of classes	ECTS - credits	number of grades	Course Load - number of classes	ECTS - credits	number of grades	Course Load - number of classes	ECTS - credits	number of grades	Course Load - number of classes	ECTS - credits	number of grades	Course Load - number of classes	ECTS - credits	Number of grades			
Compulsory courses	270	21	3	315	26	4	300	23	4	360	27	5	330	25	4	330	24	5	195	17	3	45	6	1							2145	169	29
Min. of elective courses	90	9	3	60	4	2	90	7	3	30	3	1	60	5	2	60	6	2	90	7	3	60	4	2							540	45	18
Optional courses																																	
Study internships																			90	6	2	210	10	2							300	16	4
<b>Total:</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>5</b>							<b>2985</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>51</b>

Method of degree completion	ECTS - credits	number of hours for preparation	First state exam/ thesis defence session	Second state exam/ thesis defence
State exam in Korean Language				
State exam: 1. Written state exam in Korean. 2. Oral state exam in Korean. 3. State practical exam for acquiring the professional qualification "teacher".	10	300	July	September
Total number of credits 10				

**Professional qualification acquired:**

Teacher of Korean Language

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Dean:  
(Prof. Gergana Petkova, PhD)

