UCLouvain

Iglor1654

Languages of the Caucasus (Armenian, Georgian) A

5.00 credits	30.0 h	Q1 and Q2
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This biannual learning is being organized in 2024-2025

Teacher(s)	Van Elverdinghe Emmanuel ;				
Language :	French				
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve				
Prerequisites	 For the level 1 none; a knowledge of the notions of Latin and/or Greek is useful, but not indispensable. For the level 2, the course LGLOR1653 (level 1). 				
Main themes	An initiation into the structures and principal characteristics of the ancient Armenian and Georgian languages. Alternately with LGLOR1653, this course is given to two distinct groups of students according to their level. The first term is devoted to Armenian, the second to Georgian.				
	 For the level 1 (beginners), it initiates first to the writing and reading of the two alphabets concerned, and then to the basic notions of the declensions and conjugations. For the level 2, it deepens the notions of morphology and deals with the notions of syntax. 				
	Students attending this course during their preparatory year to the Master in Ancient Languages and Literatures (Oriental Languages) will receive specific guidelines enabling them to get in one year the necessary skills as required by the end of the two levels.				
Learning outcomes	At the end of this learning unit, the student is able to: read and translate, with the help of the basic tools, ancient Armenian and Georgian texts of elementary or average difficulty. In order to achieve this goal, he will have acquired the basic notions of the nominal morphology (declensions) and of the verbal morphology (conjugations) of the Armenian and Georgian languages.				
Evaluation methods	Continuous assessment through the reading and analysis exercises in class, complemented by an oral exam focusing on the texts read in class. Split of the points: continuous assessment 50%; oral exam 50%.				
Teaching methods	The teacher presents the elements of grammar (morphology and syntax), which are then immediately applied in sentences and texts that the students are invited to read and analyse with the help of the teacher.				
Content	Introduction to the ancient Armenian language and to the ancient Georgian language. For each language: - introduction to the alphabet (reading and writing) - main grammatical elements (morphology and syntax) - commented reading of simple texts Presentation of the main tools: grammars, dictionaries, digital resources.				
Bibliography	Arménien / Armenian: R.W. Thomson, An Introduction to Classical Armenian, 2d ed., Delmar, NY, Caravan Books 1989. Version pdf fournie aux étudiants / Pdf version available for the students. Géorgien / Georgian: syllabus fourni par l'enseignant / syllabus provided by the teacher.				
Other infos	The teacher will meet with the students at the beginning of the term to set the schedule. As a rule, Armenian is taught in the first term and Georgian in the second. English-friendly course: course taught in French but offering facilities in English.				
Faculty or entity in charge	EHAC				

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)					
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Learning outcomes	
Minor in Oriental Studies	MINORI	5		٩	
Bachelor in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies	HORI1BA	5		٩	