

bgerm1355

Dutch: special questions in linguistics

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5.00 credits	30.0 h	Q2

This biannual learning is being organized in 2025-2026

Language :	Dutch			
Place of the course	Bruxelles Saint-Louis			
Prerequisites	The prerequisite(s) for this Teaching Unit (Unité d'enseignement – UE) for the programmes/courses that offer this Teaching Unit are specified at the end of this sheet.			
Learning outcomes	At the end of this learning unit, the student is able to: The course Dutch: Linguistic variation in The Netherlands and Flanders aims to increase the students' awareness of variation and linguistic diversity by familiarising them, from a synchronic point of view, with the different varieties of Dutch. The course introduces and covers in-depth the concepts of linguistic variation, more specifically, in terms of dialectology (geographical varieties) and of sociolinguistics (social varieties).			
Evaluation methods	The certificate assessment comprises the following parts: - a presentation (15%); - a written assignment (30%); - an oral examination (55%) (in session) Any changes to the assessment methods due to external circumstances will be communicated by the teacher and via Moodle. Use of generative artificial intelligence (or any other online tool, e.g. translators, spelling and grammar checkers,) If the student chooses to use one or more Als (or any other online tool), they must systematically indicate all the parts in which these tools were used, e.g. in footnotes. The student should specify whether the Al was used to search for information, to write the text, or to improve or correct it. The student should also mention which Al (or other online tool) was used (ChatGPT, Bing, Bard, Chatsonic, DeepL, etc.) and the date on which it was used. Information sources must be systematically cited in accordance with bibliographic referencing standards. The student remains responsible for the content of their work, regardless of the sources used. In order to ensure that the student's written work is personal, criteria such as originality, critical thinking, creativity and illustration with examples (e.g. from their own experience) will be taken into account. Any behavior on the part of the student that prevents or attempts to prevent, in whole or in part, the correct assessment of their knowledge, skills and/or competences will be considered an irregularity that may lead to sanctions.			
Teaching methods	Lectures (interactive, implying active participation of the students). Any modification to the lesson plan (contents, calendar, etc.) due to external circumstances will be communicated via Moodle.			
Content	The course takes a theoretical and emperical approach to the basic notions of dialectology and sociolinguistics and focuses on the phonological, morphological and syntactic features of different varieties of modern Dutch. In addition to the theoretical introduction, several representative case studies are examined. In order to give concrete form to the various theoretical notions used in this course, the student will be required to produce a written essay (article format) and an oral presentation.			
Inline resources	Moodle page for the course			

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Dibliography	Syllabus.
Bibliography	Sélection d'articles scientifiques.
	Pour l'examen, l'étudiant.e doit lire un des livres suivants:
	- Bennis, Hans. 2015. Korterlands: Anarchie in de schrijftaal. Amsterdam: Prometheus / Bert Bakker.
	- Fritschy, Yannick. 2019. De stam van het woord: Over taalevolutie en de eerste taal ter wereld. New Scientist, Pocket Science.
	- Hinskens, Frans. 2016. Wijdvertakte wortels: Over etnolectisch Nederlands. Amsterdam: Amsterdam University Press.
	- Tieken-Boon van Ostade, Ingrid. 2019. Haagse talen. Den Haag: Uitgeverij De Nieuwe Haagsche.
	- Chapitre 7-12 (pp.150-301) de: Van der Sijs, Nicoline & Roland Willemijns. 2009. Het verhaal van het Nederlands: Een geschiedenis van twaalf eeuwen. Amsterdam: Prometheus / Bert Bakker.
	Voir le syllabus pour la liste bibliographique complète.
Faculty or entity in charge	PHLB

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)							
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Learning outcomes			
Bachelor in Modern Languages and Letters: German, Dutch and English	GERB1BA	5	BGERM1141	•			