


6.00 credits

30.0 h

Q1 and Q2

**This biannual learning is being organized in 2026-2027**

Language :	French
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Prerequisites	None
Main themes	<p>Teaching of Syriac language (late Aramaic)</p> <p>The course teaches the morphology and grammar of Syriac, that is the Aramaic language of Christians in the Middle East (from 2nd c. up to pre-modern times).</p> <p>It gives an overview about the main writing systems of Syriac (estrangelo, serto, syro-oriental) and the use of the basic lexical and grammar tools. At the end of the course, students will read easy and fully vocalized texts.</p> <p>Students have to do exercises for each course (translating, reading and grammatical analysis).</p>
Learning outcomes	
Evaluation methods	There will be an oral examination at the end of each semester. The student has to prepare a text studied in the class and provide a translation with grammatical explanations.
Teaching methods	Students must prepare exercises, which will be reviewed and commented. The portfolio of exercises and other materials are available in Moodle (registration required).
Content	<p>Teaching of Syriac language (late Aramaic)</p> <p>The course teaches the morphology and grammar of Syriac, that is the Aramaic language of Christians in the Middle East (from 2nd c. up to pre-modern times). It gives an overview about the main writing systems of Syriac (estrangelo, serto, syro-oriental) and the use of the basic lexical and grammar tools. At the end of the course, students will read easy and fully vocalized texts. Students have to do exercises for each course (translating, reading and grammatical analysis).</p>
Inline resources	/
Bibliography	<p>Cf. la documentation exhaustive sur Moodle.</p> <p>S. Brock et al. (ed.), The Hidden Pearl. The Syrian Orthodox Church and its Ancient Aramaic Heritage, vol. I et II, Roma 2001</p> <p>J.F. Healey, Leshono Suryoyo. First Studies in Syriac, Piscataway 2005;</p> <p>L. Costaz, Grammaire Syriaque, Beyrouth 1952 (réimpr. 1964);</p> <p>J. Payne Smith, A Compendious Syriac Dictionary, Oxford 1903 (plusieurs éditions online)</p>
Faculty or entity in charge	EHAC

<b>Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)</b>				
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Learning outcomes
Certificat universitaire en études bibliques	EBIB9CE	5		
Master [120] in Biblical Studies	EBIB2M	6		