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MINALLE - Introduction

Introduction

MINALLE - Teaching profile

Learning outcomes

Discover, broaden and deepen knowledge and skills in German language, linguistics, literature and culture and put them to use, in connection with the learning outcomes from your major, in a relevant way in order to study in depth a problem or complex system relating to your major.

On successful completion of this programme, each student is able to :

1. Attain communication and language competence in German level B2+ (advanced independent user under the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages).
2. Develop an in-depth analysis of phenomena, questions or problems related to German studies and fields related to your major; in particular an in-depth understanding of literary texts, whether they are contemporary or from periods studied or of a cultural and language subject related to the German-speaking world, but also theoretical or literary texts from the Middle Ages, and the Renaissance and Baroque periods.
3. Demonstrate in-depth understanding and make appropriate use of a range of critical analysis methods relevant to German studies, in particular in the field of literary and cultural studies in order to be able to easily understand or study phenomena that also relate to classics, musicology, the history of art, philosophy or history.
4. Comprehend and integrate an interdisciplinary and comparative approach into your studies: develop criticism using the course input (theories, concepts, approaches...) in the different fields (linguistics, literary and cultural studies) that further studies into language and culture in the German-speaking world and those related to the major in order to rigorously question, analyse and discuss a phenomenon, question or complex problem related to the subject of the student's major and/or that falls under one of the related subjects.
5. German immersion period in another institution overseas. Carry out part of his or her education in a German-speaking institution (prorated according to available places). Develop in an international and multicultural environment, further the scientific study of another language and culture from an intercultural perspective and be exposed to other educational experiences.

Programme

DETAILED PROGRAMME BY SUBJECT

- Mandatory
- ⊗ Optional
- △ Not offered in 2021-2022
- ⊙ Not offered in 2021-2022 but offered the following year
- ⊕ Offered in 2021-2022 but not the following year
- △ ⊕ Not offered in 2021-2022 or the following year
- Activity with requisites
- ⊕ Open to international students
- ⊗ Not open to international students
- (FR) Teaching language (FR, EN, ES, NL, DE, ...)

Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

30 crédits

Year

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o Content:

o First part of the minor (15 credits)

o German language

Choose one course from :

⊗ LALLE1710	German language	Caroline Klein (coord.)	DE [q1] [30h+30h] [5 Credits]	X
⊗ LGERM1116	German II	Manon Hermann (compensates Ferran Suner Munoz)	DE [q1+q2] [30h+30h] [5 Credits]	X

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⊗ LGERM1317	German III	Françoise Gallez (compensates Ferran Suner Munoz)	DE [q1+q2] [45h+45h] [5 Credits]	X	
⊗ LGERM1501	German IV	Manon Hermann (compensates Ferran Suner Munoz)	DE [q1+q2] [30h+30h] [5 Credits]	X	

o Student must choose 2 courses from:

⊗ LGERM1116	German II	Manon Hermann (compensates Ferran Suner Munoz)	DE [q1+q2] [30h+30h] [5 Credits]	X	
⊗ LGERM1113	German language: elementary grammar	Joachim Sabel	DE [q1+q2] [30h+15h] [5 Credits]	X	
⊗ LGERM1114	German Literature : Introduction to a Critical Approach of Literary Texts	Antje Büssgen	DE [q2] [30h+7.5h] [5 Credits]	X	
⊗ LGERM1313	Introduction to German linguistics : phonology and morphology	Joachim Sabel	DE [q2] [22.5h+5h] [5 Credits]	X	
⊗ LGERM1315	Civilisation of the German-speaking countries : cultural aspects	Hubert Roland	DE [q1] [22.5h] [5 Credits] ⊕	X	
⊗ LGERM1515	Civilisation of the German-speaking countries : The present	Ferran Suner Munoz	DE [q2] [22.5h] [5 Credits] ∅	X	

o Second part of the minor (15 credits)

15 credits chosen from:

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⊗ LGERM1114	German Literature : Introduction to a Critical Approach of Literary Texts	Antje Büssgen	DE [q2] [30h+7.5h] [5 Credits]		X
⊗ LGERM1313	Introduction to German linguistics : phonology and morphology	Joachim Sabel	DE [q2] [22.5h+5h] [5 Credits]		X
⊗ LGERM1314	History of thoughts and literature in Germany I	Antje Büssgen	DE [q1] [30h+7.5h] [5 Credits]		X
⊗ LGERM1315	Civilisation of the German-speaking countries : cultural aspects	Hubert Roland	DE [q1] [22.5h] [5 Credits] ⊕		X
⊗ LGERM1317	German III	Françoise Gallez (compensates Ferran Suner Munoz)	DE [q1+q2] [45h+45h] [5 Credits]		X
⊗ LGERM1501	German IV	Manon Hermann (compensates Ferran Suner Munoz)	DE [q1+q2] [30h+30h] [5 Credits]		X
⊗ LGERM1513	Introduction to German linguistics: syntax, semantics and pragmatics	Joachim Sabel	DE [q1] [22.5h+5h] [5 Credits]		X
⊗ LGERM1514	History of thoughts and literature in Germany II	Antje Büssgen	DE [q2] [30h+7.5h] [5 Credits]		X
⊗ LGERM1515	Civilisation of the German-speaking countries : The present	Ferran Suner Munoz	DE [q2] [22.5h] [5 Credits] ∅		X

THE PROGRAMME'S COURSES AND LEARNING OUTCOMES

For each UCLouvain training programme, a [reference framework of learning outcomes](#) specifies the skills expected of every graduate on completion of the programme. Course unit descriptions specify targeted learning outcomes, as well as the unit's contribution to reference framework of learning outcomes.

MINALLE - Information

Access Requirements

The German Studies minor is open to all philosophy, philosophy & letters and theology students and to students from other faculties, subject to approval. Applications must include a cover letter and are submitted to the person in charge of the minor.

Note: students (from German-speaking communities, for instance) interested in taking this minor cannot claim exemptions. Anyone who, for example, passes a test that would exempt them from a course must select another German course from the Bachelor's programme to replace this course in their minor programme.

Teaching method

The courses make use of a variety of teaching techniques and strategies (lectures, group work, individual work, seminars, reading etc.) which help students to acquire the necessary skills. Certain courses also use e-learning techniques (provision of resources and exercises, teaching devices, collective sharing and assessment of work).

Evaluation

The evaluation methods comply with the [regulations concerning studies and exams](#). More detailed explanation of the modalities specific to each learning unit are available on their description sheets under the heading "Learning outcomes evaluation method".

According to the type of course, there are different forms of assessment. Certain courses have traditional oral and/or written assessments (which take place in the examination periods in January, June and August/September), while seminars involve student participation throughout the semester and the assessment of individual work. Further details on the assessment method are given at the beginning of each course.

Course examinations on communication skills are designed to test performance, that is to say practical use of the language in meaningful situations, which demonstrate students' level of ability.

Teaching activities are assessed in accordance with the rules currently in force at the University (see [General Examination Regulations](#)). Students may also find additional information on the particular methods of assessment in the course descriptions.

To obtain a student's average, the grades awarded for each course unit are weighted by their respective credits

Possible trainings at the end of the programme

Depending on the minor chosen, some bachelors may also provide access, directly or through supplementary classes, to other master's programmes, such as:

- [Master \[120\] in Modern Languages and Literatures : German, Dutch and English](#)
- [Master \[60\] in Modern Languages and Literatures : German, Dutch and English](#)
- [Master \[120\] in Modern Languages and Literatures : General](#)
- [Master \[60\] in Modern Languages and Literatures : General](#)
- [Master \[120\] in Multilingual Communication](#)

For more information, please read the masters' admission requirements.

List of masters organised by the Faculty of Philosophy, Arts and Letters: <https://uclouvain.be/fr/facultes/fial/masters-en-fial.html>

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Practical informations

Practical information regarding this minor (enrolment, course and exam schedules, etc.) is available in the French version of the study programme.

