

MA program Empirical Linguistics and Language Documentation (start 2023/2024)

Organization of studies: Which classes in which semester?

The last column in the following tables names the exam type, corresponding to formal requirements of the study program. “Z” stands for Polish “zaliczenie” and means the successful completion of the class. “E” stands for Polish “egzamin”. In subjects of that type, you are graded twice: you get one grade for fulfilling the requirements for successful completion of the class and one grade for some extra assessment called “egzamin”. Note that in both types the actual form of assessment may be a written test, an oral exam, a project, or several smaller tasks. Teachers are required to specify the form of assessment no later than in the second week of the semester.

Be aware that most subjects require a considerable amount of individual work outside of classes, such as reading and carrying out individual or group projects. This work has to be done continually during the semester, not at exam time. We recommend a workload of 25-35 ECTS per semester.

FIRST YEAR

First semester (winter)

Subject	Comment	ECTS	Exam
Documentary Linguistics I	Obligatory	6	Z
Language Typology and Descriptive Linguistics	Obligatory	5	Z
Spoken Language Analysis I	Obligatory	5	E
MA Seminar I: Research Methods in Linguistics	Obligatory	4	Z
Module “Methods and Application”	elective; 1 or 2 classes ¹⁾	6 per class	E
English for Academic Purposes	Obligatory	3	Z
Foreign language	Choose your language ²⁾ (consult with ELLDo tutor)	(3)	Z or E

Second semester (summer)

Subject	Comment	ECTS	Exam
Documentary Linguistics II	Obligatory	6	E
Spoken Language Analysis II	Obligatory	5	Z
Statistics for Linguistic Analyses	Obligatory	6	E
MA Seminar II (work with your supervisor)	Obligatory	4	Z
Module “Additional lectures”	Selective; 1 or more ³⁾	3 per class	Z
English for Academic Purposes	Obligatory	3	Z
Foreign language	Continue your studies	(3)	Z or E

SECOND YEAR

Third semester (winter)

Subject	Comment	ECTS	Exam
Module “Methods and Application”	Selective; 1 or 2 classes (according to your choice in the first year) ¹⁾	6 per class	E
Module “Additional lectures”	Selective; 1 or more ³⁾	~ 3 per class	Z
MA Seminar III (work with your supervisor)	Obligatory	5	Z
English for Academic Purposes	Obligatory	4	E
Foreign language	Continue your studies or take up another language	(3)	Z or E

Fourth semester (summer)

Subject	Comment	ECTS	Exam
Module “Additional lectures”	Selective; number depending on your previous choices ³⁾	3 per class	Z
MA Seminar IV (work with your supervisor, complete your thesis)	Obligatory	15	E ⁴⁾
Foreign language	Continue your studies	(3)	Z or E

Comments

¹⁾ You need three classes of the module “**Methods and Applications**” in total. You may choose either one in your first year and two in your second year, or two in your first and one in your second year. These classes are offered only in the winter semester. The topics vary. In 2023/2024 the topics are: (i) Psycholinguistics, (ii) Language planning.

²⁾ In 2023/2024 you may choose between French and Spanish. In individual cases, you may choose another “**Foreign language**” (not English!) from the offer of the Institute of Applied Linguistics and other institutes of the Faculty of Modern Languages and Literatures. However, you will have to organize this on your own, but consult it with your tutor or ELLDO coordinator Prof. Nicole Nau. International students can also choose Polish classes offered by the School of Polish Language and Culture.

You have to take care that the total number of teaching hours during the two years will be no smaller than 120 and the total amount of ECTS credits is 12. That is, on average your classes should have 30 hours (= one class of 90 minutes per week) and 3 ECTS per semester. One class, preferably the last, has to have the exam type “E”. You may also change your language during the two years, or take classes in an additional language to fill up the teaching hours and credits.

All non-Polish students at our university are encouraged to take lessons in Polish.

³⁾ In the course of the two years, you have to complete 5-7 “**Additional lectures**” with a total of 180 hours and 19 ECTS credits. You can choose Additional lectures from the offer at the Institute of Applied Linguistics, other institutes of the Faculty of Modern Languages and Literatures and classes offered by any faculty of our university to foreign students (see the offer at <https://amupie.amu.edu.pl/>). Among your classes, two should be chosen from disciplines other than linguistics, for example, social sciences, educational science, or Polish culture. You may consult your options with any of the ELLDo teachers. The language of the class may be English, Polish, or another language. A part of your ECTS credits in this module can be done with foreign language classes.

4) The exam of the MA seminar is the final exam after your thesis has been accepted and graded.