**Academic Year 2021/22**

**Master of Arts in Linguistics**

**Code: 4140 F/P**

*Notes*
*(i)      These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's Taught Programme Regulations.*
*(ii)     A core module is a module which a student must pass.*
*(iii)    A compulsory module is a module which a student is required to study.*
*(iv)    All modules are delivered in Linear mode unless stated otherwise as Block, eLearning or distance learning.*


**1.       Programme structure**

(a)      The programmes are available for study in both full-time and part-time (excluding Language Acquisition Research) modes.

(b)      The period of study for full-time mode shall be 1 year for Masters and eight months for Diploma starting in September. The period of study for part-time mode shall normally be 2 years starting in September. The Language Acquisition Research Pathway is not offered in part-time mode.

(c)      The programme comprises 2 taught Pathways (English Language Taught Pathway or English Acquisition Taught Pathway) and 1 Language Acquisition Research Pathway (the latter available to NINE-DTP students only); It comprises modules to a credit value of 180.

(d)      The dissertation must be written according to the pathway the student is following; likewise, dissertation supervisor choice must be in accordance with the pathway.


**English Language Taught Pathway or Language Acquisition Taught Pathway (Full time):**

(e)      Candidates on both taught Pathways shall take the following compulsory modules:

| Code | Descriptive title | Total Credits | Credits Sem 1 | Credits Sem 2 | Credits Sem 3 | Level | Type | Mode |
|------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------|------|------|
| SEL8500 | Research Methods in Language and Linguistics | 20 | 10 | 10 | | 7 | core | |
| SEL8510 | MA Linguistics Dissertation | 60 | | | 60 | 7 | | |


(f)      Candidates on both taught Pathways shall take one of the following 20-credit modules/module combinations:

| Code | Descriptive title | Total Credits | Credits Sem 1 | Credits Sem 2 | Credits Sem 3 | Level | Type | Mode |
|------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------|------|------|
| SEL8026 | Generative Syntax | 20 | 20 | | | 7 | | |

| Code | Descriptive title | Total Credits | Credits Sem 1 | Credits Sem 2 | Credits Sem 3 | Level | Type | Mode |
|------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------|------|------|
| SEL8116 *and* | Syntactic Analysis | 10 | 10 | | | 7 | | |
| SEL8117 | Phonetics and Phonology | 10 | 10 | | | 7 | | |
| SEL8154 | Issues in Phonological Theory I | 20 | 20 | | | 7 | | |

(g)     **English Language taught Pathway** candidates shall take 40 credits from the following modules:

| Code | Descriptive title | Total Credits | Credits Sem 1 | Credits Sem 2 | Credits Sem 3 | Level | Type | Mode |
|------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------|------|------|
| SEL8163 | The Sociolinguistics of Language and Society | 20 | 20 | | | 7 | | |
| SEL8361 | The Social History of English | 20 | | 20 | | 7 | | |
| SEL8204 | Lexical Innovation | 20 | | 20 | | 7 | | |

(h)     **Language Acquisition taught Pathway** candidates shall take 40 credits from the following modules:

| Code | Descriptive title | Total Credits | Credits Sem 1 | Credits Sem 2 | Credits Sem 3 | Level | Type | Mode |
|------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------|------|------|
| SEL8040 | Neurocognition of Language Development | 20 | | 20 | | 7 | | |
| SEL8338 | Phonology in Second Language Acquisition | 20 | | 20 | | 7 | | |
| SEL8683 | Topics in Multilingualism | 20 | | 20 | | 7 | | |
| SEL8687 | Language Acquisition | 20 | 20 | | | 7 | | |

(i) Candidates on both taught Pathways must take 40 credits from the following list of additional modules or with the DPD's permission, students can take relevant postgraduate modules, up to a maximum of 40 credits, offered by other Schools.  a maximum of 40 credits, offered by other Schools.

| Code | Descriptive title | Total Credits | Credits Sem 1 | Credits Sem 2 | Credits Sem 3 | Level | Type | Mode |
|------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------|------|------|
| SEL8026 | Generative Syntax | 20 | 20 | | | 7 | | |
| SEL8033 | Origins and Evolution of Language | 20 | 20 | | | 7 | | |
| SEL8154 | Issues in Phonological Theory 1 | 20 | 20 | | | 7 | | |
| SEL8204 | Lexical Innovation | 20 | | 20 | | 7 | | |
| SEL8205 | Issues in Phonological Theory 2 | 20 | | 20 | | 7 | | |
| SEL8644 | Topics in Language Structure: Bengali | 20 | 20 | | | 7 | | |

| Code | Descriptive title | Total Credits | Credits Sem 1 | Credits Sem 2 | Credits Sem 3 | Level | Type | Mode |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| SEL8683 | Topics in Multilingualism | 20 | | 20 | | 7 | | |

(j) With the DPD's permission, students can take relevant postgraduate modules, up to a maximum of 40 credits, offered by other Schools.  Students must seek permission from the other School prior to registering on the module. Students are expected to select modules having a credit value of not less than 50 and more than 70 in any one semester.

**Language Acquisition Research Pathway** candidates shall take the following compulsory modules:

| Code | Descriptive title | Total Credits | Credits Sem 1 | Credits Sem 2 | Credits Sem 3 | Level | Type | Mode |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| HSS8002 | Information skills | 10 | 10 | | | 7 | | |
| HSS8004 | Qualitative Methodology in the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences | 20 | | 20 | | 7 | | |
| HSS8007 | Introduction to the Nature of Explanation and Enquiry | 10 | 10 | | | 7 | | |
| SEL8040 | Neurocognition of Language Development | 20 | | 20 | | 7 | | |
| SEL8500 | Research Methods in Language and Linguistics | 20 | 10 | 10 | | 7 | | |
| SEL8510 | MA Linguistics Dissertation | 60 | | | 60 | 7 | | |
| SEL8683 | Topics in Multilingualism | 20 | | 20 | | 7 | | |
| SEL8687 | Language Acquisition | 20 | 20 | | | 7 | | |

**English Language Taught Pathway or English Acquisition Taught Pathway (Part time):**

Part-time candidates shall aim to take 70 taught credits in Year 1.  In Year 2 candidates will take 110 credits, 50 taught credits, along with the 60 credit dissertation.

(k)     Year 1: All candidates shall take the following compulsory module:

| Code | Descriptive title | Total Credits | Credits Sem 1 | Credits Sem 2 | Credits Sem 3 | Level | Type | Mode |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| SEL8511 | Research Methods in Language and Linguistics I | 10 | 10 | | | 7 | | |

(l)     Year 1: All candidates shall take one of the following 20-credit modules/ module combinations:

| Code | Descriptive title | Total Credits | Credits Sem 1 | Credits Sem 2 | Credits Sem 3 | Level | Type | Mode |
|------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------|------|------|
| SEL8026 | Generative Syntax | 20 | 20 | | | 7 | | |
| SEL8116 *and* | Syntactic analysis | 10 | 10 | | | 7 | | |
| SEL8117 | Phonetics and Phonology | 10 | 10 | | | 7 | | |

In addition, all candidates shall take two 20-credit modules from their chosen pathway. Please see above for the choice of modules.

(m)    Year 2: All candidates shall take the following compulsory modules:

| Code | Descriptive title | Total Credits | Credits Sem 1 | Credits Sem 2 | Credits Sem 3 | Level | Type | Mode |
|------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------|------|------|
| SEL8510 | MA Linguistics Dissertation | 60 | | | 60 | 7 | | |
| SEL8512 | Research Methods in Language and Linguistics II | 10 | | 10 | | 7 | | |

A further 40 credits shall be selected from the additional modules listed under (j) for the Language Acquisition taught Pathway.


**2.    Assessment methods**
Details of the assessment pattern for each module are explained in the module outline forms.