

## Academic Year 2022/23

### 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:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
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:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
SEL8026	Generative Syntax	20	20			7		
SEL8116	Syntactic Analysis	10	10			7		

<i>and</i> SEL8117	Phonetics and Phonology	10	10			7		
SEL8154	Issues in Phonological Theory I	20	20			7		
SEL8689	Minimalist Syntax: Data and Theory Building	20		20		7		
SEL8205	Issues in Phonological Theory II	20		20		7		

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

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
SEL8163	Language and Society	20	20			7		
SEL8361	The Social History of English	20		20		7		
SEL8204	Lexical Innovation	20		20		7		
SEL8676	Metropolitan Sociolinguistics	20		20	7			
SEL8329	Diachronic Syntax	20	20			7		

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

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
SEL8695	Advanced Topics in Child Language Acquisition	20		20		7		
SEL8683	Topics in Multilingualism	20		20		7		
SEL8687	Language Acquisition	20	20			7		
SEL8690	Second 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.

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
SEL8026	Generative Syntax	20	20			7		
SEL8154	Issues in Phonological Theory 1	20	20			7		
SEL8204	Lexical Innovation	20		20		7		

SEL8683	Topics in Multilingualism	20		20		7		
SEL8329	Diachronic Syntax	20	20			7		
SEL8689	Minimalist Syntax: Data and Theory Building	20		20		7		
SEL8205	Issues in Phonological Theory II	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:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
HSS8002	Information skills	10	10			7		
HSS8004	Qualitative Methodology in the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences	20		20		7		
HSS8007	The Making and Unmaking of Knowledge	10	10			7		
SEL8695	Advanced Topics in Child Language Acquisition	20		20		7		
SEL8500	Research Methods in Language and Linguistics	20	10	10		7		
SEL8510	MA Linguistics Dissertation	60			60	7		
SEL8690	Second Language Acquisition	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:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
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:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
SEL8026	Generative Syntax	20	20			7		
SEL8116 and SEL8117	Syntactic analysis Phonetics and Phonology	10 10	10 10			7 7		
SEL8154	Issues in Phonological Theory I	20	20			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:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
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.