

Academic Year 2025/26

Bachelor of Arts with Honours in English Language

UCAS Code: Q302

Notes

- (i) *These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's Taught Programme Regulations.*
- (ii) *All optional modules are offered subject to the constraints of the timetable and to any restrictions on the number of students who may be taught on a particular module. Not all modules may be offered in all years and they are listed subject to availability.*
- (iii) *Unless otherwise stated under 'Type', modules are not core.*
- (iv) *A compulsory module is a module which a student is required to study.*
- (v) *A core module is a module which a student must pass, and in which a fail mark may neither be carried nor compensated; such modules are designated by the board of studies as essential for progression to a further stage of the programme or for study in a further module.*
- (vi) *All modules are delivered in Linear mode unless stated otherwise as Block, eLearning or distance learning.*
- (vii) *With the approval of the Degree Programme Director, and in exceptional circumstances, an alternative combination of modules that fall out with these regulations may be selected.*

1. Stage 1

- (a) All candidates will study 120 credits. Candidates will normally study 60 credits in each semester. In particular circumstances they may, however, study 50 credits in one semester and 70 credits in the other.
- (b) 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>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
SEL1008	The Nature of Language	20	20		4		
SEL1027	Introduction to the Structure of Language 1: Phonetics, Phonology & Morphology	20	20		4		
SEL1028	Introduction to Language Structure 2: Syntax, semantics and pragmatics	20		20	4		
SEL1032	Dealing With Data	20		20	4		

- (c) 40 further credits will be chosen from other subject areas within SELLL or other Schools. Degree Programme Director approval is required for modules outside the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences. Alternatively, candidates with an A Level in French, German or Spanish may select two modules from the following options:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
FRE1071	Level B (HE Intermediate) French	20	10	10	5		
GER1071	Level B (HE Intermediate) German	20	10	10	5		
SML1019	Introduction to Linguistics*	20	10	10	4		
SPA1071	Level B (HE Intermediate) Spanish	20	10	10	5		

*Only available to students studying Level B (HE Intermediate) in French, German or Spanish.

2. Stage 2

- (a) All candidates will study 120 credits. Candidates will normally study 60 credits in each semester. In particular circumstances they may, however, study 50 credits in one semester and 70 credits in the other.
- (b) All candidates will 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>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
SEL2091	Sociolinguistics	20	20		5		
SEL2212	Early English: Texts, Patterns and Varieties	20		20	5		

- (c) All candidates must select one from the following list :

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
SEL2000	Phonological Theory	20	20		5		
SEL2089	Syntactic Theory	20	20		5		
SEL2234	Pragmatic Theory	20	20		5		

- (d) Candidates must select 60 credits from the following list of modules

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
SEL2000	Phonological Theory	20	20		5		
SEL2089	Syntactic Theory	20	20		5		
SEL2229	Experimental Methods in Linguistics	20		20	5		
SEL2234	Pragmatic Theory	20	20		5		
SEL2235	CHiLD: Current Hypotheses in Language Development	20		20	5		
SEL2237	Introduction to Second Language Learning and Teaching	20	20		5		

SEL2239	Practicum	20		20	5		
SEL2441	Philosophy of Linguistics	20		20	5		

- (e) Candidates may replace one module chosen in (d) with the Career Development module below. Alternatively, with DPD approval, candidates may choose 20 credits from subject areas with other Schools/ Faculties.

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
NCL2007	Career Development for second year students	20	10	10	5		

3. Stage 3

Please note, module availability may vary year on year.

- (a) All candidates will study 120 credits. Candidates will normally study 60 credits in each semester. In particular circumstances they may, however, study 50 credits in one semester and 70 credits in the other.
- (b) Candidates must select one of the following optional modules:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
SEL3326	Short-form Dissertation 1: English Language and Linguistics	20	20		6		
SEL3327	Short-form Dissertation 2: English Language and Linguistics	20		20	6		
SEL3329	Long-form Dissertation: English Language and Linguistics	40	20	20	6		

- (c) Candidates must select either 80 or 100 credits from the following optional modules, depending on their choice in (b):

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
SEL3005	Origins and Evolution of Language	20	20		6		
SEL3413	Language and Ageing	20	20		6		
SEL3430	Advanced Second Language Acquisition	20		20	6		
SEL3431	Laboratory Phonology	20		20	6		
SEL3441	Medieval and Early Modern Meaning: English Historical Semantics	20		20	6		
SEL3448	Current Issues in Linguistics	20	20		6		
SEL3454	New Words in English	20	20		6		

- (d) Candidates may replace one module chosen in (c) with one of the following modules, provided that it was not previously studied at Stage 2:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
SEL2000	Phonological Theory	20	20		5		
SEL2089	Syntactic Theory	20	20		5		
SEL2229	Experimental Methods in Linguistics	20		20	5		
SEL2234	Pragmatic Theory	20	20		5		
SEL2235	CHiLD: Current Hypotheses in Language Development	20		20	5		
SEL2237	Introduction to Second Language Learning and Teaching	20	20		5		
SEL2239	Practicum	20		20	5		
SEL2441	Philosophy of Linguistics	20		20	5		

- (e) Candidates may replace one module chosen in (d) with the Career Development module below. Alternatively, with DPD approval, candidates may choose 20 credits from subject areas with other Schools/ Faculties.

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
NCL3007	Career Development for final year students	20	10	10	6		

4. Assessment methods

Details of the assessment pattern for each module are explained in the module outline.

5. Degree classification

- (a) All Stage 2 and Stage 3 modules contribute towards the degree classification.
 (b) Stage 2 and Stage 3 will be weighted in the ratio 1:2 in the final degree calculation.

6. University Study Abroad and Exchange Programme

- (a) Pending Degree Programme Director approval, students may take part in a semester abroad as listed in the School Undergraduate Handbook. The study abroad programme and the grades obtained are integral to the final degree. Students who take part in a semester abroad will be assigned one of the below modules codes. The grades gained whilst studying abroad will be suitably converted and the resulting mark will be used for their final degree classification.

- (b) Stage 2:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive Title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Semester 1</i>	<i>Semester 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
SEL5001	Overseas Exchange (Semester 1)	60	60		5		
SEL5002	Overseas Exchange (Semester 2)	60		60	5		

NB: Study Abroad opportunities will be guided by governmental and institutional policy at the time.