Module title		Abbreviation
Introduction to Akkadian		04-AO-AKE-072-m01

Module coordinator	Module offered by
holder of the Chair of Ancient Near Eastern Studies	Chair of Ancient Near Eastern Studies

ECTS	Method of grading	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)
10	numerical grade	--

Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites
1 semester	undergraduate	--

Contents

Akkadian, which belongs to the Semitic family of languages, was the most widespread language of the ancient Near East. Thus, the student must begin learning the language from the start of the programme. This module provides the student with an overview of the writing systems and languages of the ancient Near East and acquaints them with the fundamental principles of scholarly work. The module introduces the student to cuneiform as well as to Akkadian grammar and vocabulary, with special emphasis on the Old Babylonian dialect.

Intended learning outcomes

The student will become familiar with the structure of the Akkadian language and especially with the criteria necessary for the analysis of forms.
He/she will be able
(1) to create reasonable genitive constructions (in bound transcription) from given nouns and to translate these,
(2) to combine given substantives with pronominal suffixes and to translate these,
(3) to render verbal forms given in transliteration with a bound transcription, to analyse and to translate these forms,
(4) to name the phonetic values of simple cuneiform signs,
(5) to read the Code of Hammurabi from the Neo-Assyrian cuneiform writing, to correctly render it with a bound transcription, to translate it as well as to analyse the verbal forms.
The student will acquire the ability to use the most important resources (grammars, dictionaries, bibliographies, text editions) and will be familiar with the fundamental religious, legal and social principles underlying the Code of Hammurabi as well as with the most important provisions of family law.

Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

This module comprises 2 module components. Information on courses will be listed separately for each module component.
- 04-AO-AKE-1-072: Ü + Ü + Ü (no information on SWS (weekly contact hours) and course language available)
- 04-AO-AKE-2-072: L + Ü (no information on SWS (weekly contact hours) and course language available)

Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)

Assessment in this module comprises the assessments in the individual module components as specified below. Unless stated otherwise, successful completion of the module will require successful completion of all individual assessments.

Assessment in module component 04-AO-AKE-1-072: Introduction to Ancient Oriental Studies and the Akkadian Language Introduction to Ancient Oriental Studies and the Akkadian Language Introduction to Ancient Oriental Studies and the Akkadian Language
- 5 ECTS, Method of grading: numerical grade
- written examination (approx. 90 minutes)

Assessment in module component 04-AO-AKE-2-072: Akkadian Readings with Particular Ref-erence to Grammatical Analysis Akkadian Readings with Particular Ref-erence to Grammatical Analysis
- 5 ECTS, Method of grading: numerical grade
- oral examination (approx. 30 minutes)

Allocation of places
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Additional information
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Workload
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Teaching cycle
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Referred to in LPO I (examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)
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Module appears in
Master's degree (1 major) Comparative Indo-European Linguistics (2008)
Bachelor's degree (1 major, 1 minor) Ancient Near Eastern Studies (Minor, 2008)
Bachelor's degree (1 major, 1 minor) Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeology (2009)
Bachelor's degree (1 major, 1 minor) Ancient World (2008)
Bachelor's degree (1 major, 1 minor) Ancient Near Eastern Languages (AW) (Minor, 2008)
Bachelor's degree (2 majors) Egyptology (2008)
Bachelor's degree (2 majors) Ancient Near Eastern Studies (2008)
Bachelor's degree (2 majors) Comparative Indo-European Linguistics (2008)
Bachelor's degree (2 majors) Greek Philology (2009)