**Module title**  
Introductory Akkadian 1

**Abbreviation**  
04-AO-AKKE1-122-m01

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**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. The module gives an introduction to cuneiform writing as well as to the grammar and vocabulary of Akkadian, although the main emphasis is 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 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 transliterate, transcribe and translate simple practice sentences.

The student will learn to use the most important resources (grammars, dictionaries, text editions).

**Courses**

(עי, no information on SWS (weekly contact hours) and course language available)

**Method of assessment**

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

written examination (approx. 90 minutes)  
Language of assessment: German, English

**Allocation of places**

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**Additional information**

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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 (2012)
- Bachelor's degree (1 major, 1 minor) Ancient Near Eastern Studies (Minor, 2012)
- Bachelor's degree (1 major, 1 minor) Ancient Near Eastern Studies (Minor, 2014)
- Bachelor's degree (1 major, 1 minor) Pre- and Protohistoric Archaeology (2012)
- Bachelor's degree (1 major, 1 minor) Ancient World (2013)
- Bachelor's degree (1 major, 1 minor) Ancient Near Eastern Languages (AW) (Minor, 2014)
- Bachelor's degree (1 major, 1 minor) Ancient Near Eastern Languages (AW) (Minor, 2012)
- Bachelor's degree (2 majors) Ancient Near Eastern Studies (2012)
- Bachelor's degree (2 majors) Ancient Near Eastern Studies (2014)
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