### Contents
The course gives an introduction to the younger literary language of Akkadian, so-called Standard Babylonian. The readings focus on royal inscriptions, especially from the Neo-Assyrian period. Inscriptions of the Sargonid kings (Sennacherib, Esarhaddon or Assurbanipal) form the central part of the curriculum. Reading the texts, the students will also acquire a knowledge of the history of the ancient Near East in the 1st millennium BC.

### Intended learning outcomes
The student will acquire knowledge of the structure and characteristics of Standard Babylonian, with special emphasis on the criteria which are decisive for the analysis of forms. He/She will be able to transliterate and translate the Standard Babylonian literary and historical texts assigned in class, and comment upon their content, form and style. With the help of dictionaries and sign lists, he/she will also be able to transliterate, translate and classify the contents of Standard Babylonian texts beyond the class curriculum.

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

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Module taught in: German and/or English

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

term paper (3000 to 3,500 words excluding bibliography)  
Language of assessment: German and/or English

### Additional information
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### Referred to in LPO I
(examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)
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### Module appears in
Bachelor's degree (1 major, 1 minor) Ancient World (2015)  
Bachelor's degree (1 major, 1 minor) Ancient Near Eastern Languages (AW) (Minor, 2015)  
Bachelor's degree (1 major, 1 minor) Ancient Near Eastern Studies (Minor, 2015)  
Bachelor's degree (2 majors) Ancient Near Eastern Studies (2015)