

Module description

Module title					Abbreviation
Akkadian Texts 2					04-AO-AKKL2-122-m01
Module coordinator				Module offered by	
holder of the Chair of Ancient Near Eastern Studies				Chair of Ancient Near Eastern Studies	
ECTS	Meth	od of grading	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)		
10	nume	rical grade			
Duration A		Module level	Other prerequisites		
2 semester		undergraduate			
Contents					

The course gives an introduction to more difficult Akkadian literary texts and to selected dialects or historical stages of the Akkadian language. In the context of the text readings, the student also develops a detailed knowledge of the history of Mesopotamian religion and literature as well as of the history of law, economy and society of Mesopotamia. On the one hand, the text readings usually focus on the Babylonian Epic of Creation, the Erra Epic, incantations and rituals, hymns and prayers, omen texts, wisdom literature or lyric texts. On the other hand, they usually focus on archival documents and letters in one or two selected dialects of Akkadian (at least one of which being a stage of the Assyrian dialect).

Intended learning outcomes

The student will acquire detailed knowledge of the language of Babylonian literature and of Akkadian dialectology; he/she will acquire knowledge of the structure and the rich forms of the Assyrian dialect of Akkadian. The student will be able to transliterate, translate and comment upon (with regard to content and formal style) the literary and documentary texts read or assigned in class.

He/she will acquire the ability to transliterate, translate and categorise the content of more difficult Akkadian texts beyond the class curriculum with the help of dictionaries and sign lists.

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

S + S (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)

2 term papers (each 3,000 to 3,500 words excluding bibliography) Language of assessment: German, English

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

Bachelor's degree (1 major, 1 minor) Ancient Near Eastern Studies (Minor, 2012)

Bachelor's degree (1 major, 1 minor) Ancient World (2013)

Bachelor's degree (1 major, 1 minor) Ancient Near Eastern Languages (AW) (Minor, 2012)

Bachelor's degree (2 majors) Ancient Near Eastern Studies (2012)