Basics of Ancient Near Eastern Studies and Tutorials on Akkadian Grammar

Module title
Module coordinator
holder of the Chair of Ancient Near Eastern Studies

Module offered by
Chair of Ancient Near Eastern Studies

ECTS
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Method of grading
numerical grade

Only after succ. compl. of module(s)
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Duration
1 semester

Module level
undergraduate

Other prerequisites
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Contents
Complementary to the module Einführung ins Akkadische 1 (Introductory Akkadian 1), this course gives an introduction to the methods and tools of ancient Near Eastern studies as well as to scholarly methods in general. The course also serves to practise and deepen the knowledge of Akkadian grammar acquired in the module Einführung ins Akkadische 1.

Intended learning outcomes
The student will acquire the ability to use the most important tools of ancient Near Eastern studies (encyclopaedias, bibliographies, significant journals, web-based tools).
He/she will acquire basic knowledge of scholarly methods in the field of ancient Near Eastern studies (scholarly writing, developing arguments, techniques for bibliographies and research, proper citation and plagiarism, using sources).
The student will acquire knowledge of the structure of the Akkadian language and, in particular, of 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.

Courses
Ü (1) + Ü (2)
Module taught in: German and/or English

Method of assessment
term paper (2000 to 2,500 words excluding bibliography)
Language of assessment: German and/or English

Allocations

Additional information

Referred to in LPO I (examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)

Module appears in
Bachelor’s degree (1 major, 1 minor) Ancient World (2015)