

Module title		Abbreviation
Ancient Near Eastern Texts: the 1st Millennium B		o4-AO-AOT1B-152-mo1
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)
15	numerical grade	--
Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites
1 semester	graduate	--
Contents		
<p>The module is dedicated to reading ancient Near Eastern literary texts of the 1st millennium BC, especially epics and mythology, prayers, hymns and invocations (with the appurtenant rituals and regulations), wisdom literature, lyrical texts or historical-legendary texts. Emphasis is placed upon reading Akkadian cuneiform texts of the 1st millennium BC, especially from Babylonia and Assyria, but bilingual (Sumerian-Akkadian) texts may also be incorporated into the curriculum. The linguistic form and the historical background of the texts read, including questions concerning the history of law, science and ideas, will be explained and discussed in class.</p>		
Intended learning outcomes		
<p>The student will acquire a comprehensive overview of the tradition of ancient Near Eastern literary texts of the 1st millennium BC. He/she will gain deeper knowledge of selected text groups and their historical backgrounds, including questions about the history of religion, sciences and ideas. The student will have a good reading knowledge of the major literary dialects of Akkadian in the 1st millennium BC, especially detailed knowledge of Standard Babylonian. He/she will be able to transliterate and translate the texts assigned or read in class and to comment on both their content and formal style. He/she will acquire the ability to transliterate, translate and classify (with regard to content) more difficult Akkadian texts of the 1st millennium BC beyond the class curriculum with the help of dictionaries and sign lists.</p>		
Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)		
S (4) 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)		
written examination (approx. 90 minutes) Language of assessment: German and/or English		
Allocation of places		
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Additional information		
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Workload		
450 h		
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 (2 majors) Ancient Near Eastern Languages and Cultures (2015) Master's degree (1 major) Ancient Near Eastern Languages and Cultures (2015) Master's degree (1 major) Museum and Ancient Cultures (2016)		

Master's degree (1 major) Museum and Ancient Cultures (2020)
Master's degree (2 majors) Ancient Near Eastern Languages and Cultures (2023)
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