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Hittite, which is the earliest attested language of the Indo-European family of languages, was written in Babylonian cuneiform. Thus, the Hittite culture forms an established component of the cuneiform culture. The module gives an introduction to the grammar and vocabulary of the Hittite language as well as the cuneiform in which it was written and reinforces the acquired knowledge with the reading of simple Hittite historical and/or legal texts.

### Intended learning outcomes

The student will acquire an overview of the structure of the Hittite language and especially of the criteria necessary for the analysis of forms as well as the ability to use the most important resources (grammars, dictionaries, bibliographies, text editions).

He/she will be able

1. to attach possessive suffixes to nouns and to decline these,
2. to analyse and translate verb forms,
3. to analyse conjunctions with enclitics,
4. to construct logical sentences from given lexemes and to translate these,
5. to transliterate, analyse and translate Hittite cuneiform texts from the class curriculum.

### Method of assessment

- **Written examination (90 minutes)**
- **Language of assessment:** German, English
Bachelor's degree (2 majors) Comparative Indo-European Linguistics (2012)
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