Module title: Sumerian Texts 1
Abbreviation: 04-AO-SUM1-141-m01

Module coordinator: holder of the Chair of Ancient Near Eastern Studies
Module offered by: Chair of Ancient Near Eastern Studies

ECTS: 5
Method of grading: numerical grade
Only after succ. compl. of module(s): --

Duration: 1 semester
Module level: undergraduate
Other prerequisites: --

Contents:
This module introduces the student to more difficult Sumerian texts from various epochs of the development of
the Sumerian language and deepens his/her knowledge of Sumerian grammar. The text readings focus on archi-
val texts, especially legal documents, letters and administrative documents from the Old Sumerian and Ur III pe-
riods. Reading the texts, the student will also acquire a knowledge of the history of law, economy and society of
Mesopotamia of the 3rd and early 2nd millennia BC.

Intended learning outcomes:
The student will acquire detailed knowledge of the grammar and vocabulary of Sumerian in its various histori-
cal stages. He/she will be able to transliterate, translate and comment upon the form and content of the texts
read or assigned in class. The student will acquire the ability to transliterate, translate and classify the contents
of simple Sumerian archival 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 (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

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

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Module appears in:
Bachelor’s degree (2 majors) Ancient Near Eastern Studies (2014)