Module Catalogue
for the Subject
Modern South Asia as a secondary subject
as a minor in a Bachelor’s degree programme
(60 ECTS credits)

Examination regulations version: 2019
Responsible: Faculty of Arts, Historical, Philological, Cultural and Geographical Studies
Responsible: Chair of Indology
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Content and Objectives of the Programme

The aim of this programme of studies is imparting knowledge which exemplifies the most important subdisciplines of Indology/South Asian Studies and its methods. The course are divided into Compulsory Choice and Optional Choice areas (Pflichtbereich and Wahlpflichtbereich).

In Modern South Asia as a secondary subject, students acquire knowledge of culture, history and social structures in the South Asia region, especially India. This also includes a well-grounded teaching of “intercultural competence” by acknowledged experts on South Asia. Here the gaining of language skills in Hindi is an essential element in ensuring the quality of the training. At the same time, students acquire academic, social and communicative competences which also open the way to new career opportunities. Examples of these include work with one of the numerous German enterprises operating in India, in the field of cultural management, in aid organisations, or with institutions such as the GTZ. Experience abroad in an Asian country also develops students’ personal sense of responsibility and flexibility, equipping them for careers in the most varied fields.
Abbreviations used

Course types: E = field trip, K = colloquium, O = conversatorium, P = placement/lab course, R = project, S = seminar, T = tutorial, Ü = exercise, V = lecture

Term: SS = summer semester, WS = winter semester

Methods of grading: NUM = numerical grade, B/NB = (not) successfully completed

Regulations: (L)ASPO = general academic and examination regulations (for teaching-degree programmes), FSB = subject-specific provisions, SFB = list of modules

Other: A = thesis, LV = course(s), PL = assessment(s), TN = participants, VL = prerequisite(s)

Conventions

Unless otherwise stated, courses and assessments will be held in German, assessments will be offered every semester and modules are not creditable for bonus.

Notes

Should there be the option to choose between several methods of assessment, the lecturer will agree with the module coordinator on the method of assessment to be used in the current semester by two weeks after the start of the course at the latest and will communicate this in the customary manner.

Should the module comprise more than one graded assessment, all assessments will be equally weighted, unless otherwise stated below.

Should the assessment comprise several individual assessments, successful completion of the module will require successful completion of all individual assessments.

In accordance with

the general regulations governing the degree subject described in this module catalogue:

ASPO2015

associated official publications (FSB (subject-specific provisions)/SFB (list of modules)):

20-Feb-2019 (2019-8)

This module handbook seeks to render, as accurately as possible, the data that is of statutory relevance according to the examination regulations of the degree subject. However, only the FSB (subject-specific provisions) and SFB (list of modules) in their officially published versions shall be legally binding. In the case of doubt, the provisions on, in particular, module assessments specified in the FSB/SFB shall prevail.
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**Contents**

Introduction to South Asian regional studies and politics as well as to the society and modern history of South Asia.

**Intended learning outcomes**

Students have acquired a basic knowledge of South Asian regional studies and politics as well as of the society and modern history of South Asia.

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

V (2) + S (1)

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)

a) written examination (approx. 240 minutes)

b) take-home test (time to complete: maximum 3 days, 10 to 15 pages)

Language of assessment: German and/or English

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This course will introduce students to key aspects of Indian regional studies and politics as well as of the society and modern history of India, using selected texts from 20th and 21st-century regional language literatures in translation.

**Intended learning outcomes**

Students have acquired a basic knowledge of the history of the various regional language literatures. Keeping in mind their constructedness, they are able to use the respective texts as sources on modern South Asian regional studies as well as the political system, culture, and society of modern South Asia.

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

S (2)

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)

a) presentation (approx. 20 minutes) and term paper (approx. 10 pages) or
b) take-home test (time to complete: maximum 3 days, 10 to 15 pages)

Language of assessment: German and/or English

**Allocation of places**

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Module title: Premodern South Asia: History, Culture, Literature I
Abbreviation: 04-IB2-1-192-m01

Module coordinator: holder of the Chair of Indology
Module offered by: Chair of Indology

ECTS: 5
Method of grading: numerical grade
Duration: 1 semester
Module level: undergraduate
Other prerequisites: --

Contents:
Discussion of fundamental aspects of the history, culture and society of pre-modern India (ca. 3rd millennium BC until 1st cent. AD) as well as of the systems of pre-modern Indian religion and philosophy. Overview of the history and content of the different literary genres of pre-modern India. Theoretical background and methods for the investigation of said areas.

Intended learning outcomes:
Students are familiar with fundamental aspects of the culture and society of pre-modern India as well as with the systems of pre-modern Indian religion and philosophy. They have acquired an overview of the history and content of the different literary genres of pre-modern India. Students are able to independently acquire a critical knowledge in said areas.

Courses:
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Module taught in: German and/or English

Method of assessment:
a) written examination (approx. 240 minutes) or
b) take-home test (time to complete: maximum 3 days, 10 to 15 pages)
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Religious traditions in South Asia | 04-I83-1-192-m01

Module coordinator | Module offered by
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ECTS | Method of grading | Only after succ. compl. of module(s)
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Duration | Module level | Other prerequisites
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1 semester | undergraduate | Recommended: 04-I82-2

Contents
Overview of religious trends and developments in South Asia and of how these influence each other as well as modern South Asia and South Asian societies.

Intended learning outcomes
Students have acquired a basic understanding of South Asian religious traditions, both in a historical context and in the present day.

Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)
- V (1) + S (2)
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)
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Intellectual and cultural history of South Asia: Rituals of Sovereignty, Regional Kingdoms and Political Hinduism

Abbreviation

04-IB3-2-192-m01

Module coordinator

holder of the Chair of Indology

Module offered by

Chair of Indology

ECTS

Method of grading

Only after succ. compl. of module(s)

5 numerical grade

Duration

Module level

Other prerequisites

1 semester undergraduate Recommended: 04-IB3-1

Contents

Introduction to the regional kingdoms of South Asia, the religious and ritual legitimation of kingship and political Hinduism.

Intended learning outcomes

Students are familiar with the most important regional kingdoms of South Asia, with central leadership rituals and with relevant secondary sources.

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

S (2)

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)

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**Contents**

Introduction to writing, phonetics and phonology, Hindi grammar and basic vocabulary. Practice of translating and reading by means of simplified Hindi texts. Practice of conversation (basic level).

**Intended learning outcomes**

Students are able to read and understand simple Hindi texts (basic level). They are familiar with everyday expressions and basic sentences and are able to employ them accordingly.

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

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- written examination (approx. 70 minutes) and oral examination of one candidate each (approx. 20 minutes)
- Language of assessment: German and/or English

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**Contents**
This course will cover the remaining Hindi grammar. Students will consolidate their grammar skills, expand their vocabulary and develop speaking skills.

**Intended learning outcomes**
Students are able to read and understand simplified Hindi texts. They are able to translate simple texts from German to Hindi and to participate in Hindi conversations.

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

Ü (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. 70 minutes) and oral examination of one candidate each (approx. 20 minutes)  
Language of assessment: German and/or English

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1 semester   | undergraduate    | Recommended: 04-IB5-2   |

**Contents**
This course will cover the remaining grammar and consolidate the students' grammar skills. Students will expand their vocabulary and enhance their speaking skills. Introduction to narrative literature, reading of expository texts.

**Intended learning outcomes**
Students are able to read literary texts of low difficulty as well as expository texts. They are able to communicate in everyday situations.

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

S (4) + Ü (1)
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. 70 minutes) and oral examination of one candidate each (approx. 20 minutes)
Language of assessment: German and/or English

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**Contents**

This course will consolidate the students' grammar skills. Students will expand their vocabulary and enhance their speaking skills. Reading of narrative literature and expository texts.

**Intended learning outcomes**

Students are able to read literary texts of medium difficulty as well as expository texts. They are able to communicate in everyday situations.

**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)

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Language of assessment: German and/or English

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**Duration**

1 semester

**Module level**

undergraduate

**Other prerequisites**

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**Contents**

Discussion of the fundamental principles of the social anthropology of India. An "insider's view" of Indian society. Family structures, the concept of the person, marriage, castes and social hierarchies in India

**Intended learning outcomes**

Students are familiar with the methods and theories of the social anthropology of India. They are able to gain a differentiated understanding of foreign cultures.

**Courses**

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

V (1) + S (2)

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)

a) presentation (approx. 20 minutes) and term paper (approx. 10 pages) or
b) take-home test (time to complete: maximum 3 days, 10 to 15 pages)

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This course will explore selected topics in the social anthropology of India in more depth. Topics include but are not limited to: “society and Dalit culture”, “gender relations”, “caste and class”, “migration and diaspora”.

**Intended learning outcomes**

Students are familiar with the methods and theories of selected aspects of the social anthropology of India. They are able to gain a differentiated understanding of foreign cultures.

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

S (2)

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)

a) presentation (approx. 20 minutes) and term paper (approx. 10 pages) or
b) take-home test (time to complete: maximum 3 days, 10 to 15 pages)

Language of assessment: German and/or English

**Allocation of places**

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**Module offered by**

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**Contents**

This course will take place in India. It will provide students with an opportunity to put their language skills into practice and immerse themselves in the culture of the language.

**Intended learning outcomes**

Students are able to independently find their way around their host country, to correctly interpret everyday situations and to have simple conversations with native speakers.

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

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**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. 70 minutes) and oral examination of one candidate each (approx. 20 minutes)

Language of assessment: German and/or English

**Allocation of places**

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**Additional information**

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## Module Catalogue for the Subject

Modern South Asia as a secondary subject minor in a Bachelor’s degree programme, 60 ECTS credits

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### Contents

During their stay in South Asia, students will become familiar with everyday life in their host country, with its antiquities as well as with its academic, economic and public institutions. In addition, they will learn to communicate effectively with native speakers in their host country.

### Intended learning outcomes

Students will be able to independently gather information in South Asia, to independently and confidently interact with the local community as well as to correctly interpret cultural experiences.

### Courses

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

E (2)

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)

term paper (approx. 20 pages)

Language of assessment: German and/or English

### Allocation of places

12 places. Students of the subjects Indologie/Südasienkunde (Indology/South Asian Studies), Indologie (Indology) as well as Modernes Südasien (Modern South Asian Studies) will be given preferential consideration. If and when places remain untaken or become available, they will be allocated to students of other subjects as part of a planned teaching export. Places will primarily be allocated according to the number of subject semesters; among applicants with the same number of subject semesters, places will be allocated by lot. A waiting list will be maintained and places re-allocated by lot as they become available.

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**Contents**

Selected projects in South Asia (e.g., the study of a dialect or the religious festivals of a population group, seeing behind the scenes of a development aid project) will introduce students to field research methods. This module will provide students with an opportunity to gain concrete experience and analyse their experiences together with their classmates.

**Intended learning outcomes**

Depending on their focus, students will be proficient in fundamental methods of field research on selected topics in ethnography, regional history, linguistics or the social sciences.

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

E (2)

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)

term paper (approx. 20 pages)

Language of assessment: German and/or English

**Allocation of places**

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**Additional information**

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**Module title**  
History and methods of Indian Studies

**Abbreviation**  
04-IB20-1-192-m01

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**Module offered by**  
Chair of Indology

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**Method of grading**  
Only after succ. compl. of module(s)

**Duration**  
1 semester

**Module level**  
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**Other prerequisites**  
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**Contents**

This module aims to provide an overview of the different European perceptions of Indian culture(s) in the period between antiquity and the modern era, with particular emphasis on how European perceptions of India and Indian perceptions of Europe are changing in today’s globalised world. The module will also focus on how the academic discipline of indology has helped bridge the gap between the two cultures ever since the 19th century and how the methods in indology have changed over time.

**Intended learning outcomes**

Students have acquired an overview of how European perceptions of India have changed in the period between antiquity and the modern era. They are familiar with the history and methods of India studies.

**Courses**

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

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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)

presentation (approx. 20 minutes) and term paper (approx. 10 minutes)

Language of assessment: German and/or English

**Allocation of places**

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**Additional information**

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### Module Catalogue for the Subject

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### Contents

Introduction to the philosophies of life, the customs as well as thought and action patterns in Indian culture. Reflection on the mindsets and thought patterns in the students' own (German) culture. Differences in communication styles between India and Germany. Causes of conflict in intercultural encounters.

### Intended learning outcomes

Students have developed an awareness of how their cultural background influences the way they act, and they are familiar with social structures in India. The development of this awareness and familiarity is necessary for students to acquire intercultural competence.

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

S (2)  
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)

a) presentation (approx. 20 minutes) and term paper (approx. 10 pages) or  

b) take-home test (time to complete: maximum 3 days, 10 to 15 pages)  

Language of assessment: German and/or English

### Allocation of places

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Globalisation and Migration with reference to South Asia  

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**Contents**

The history and social impacts of migration in India during British colonial rule as well as modern forms of migration caused by globalisation.

**Intended learning outcomes**

Students have developed a systematic knowledge in the area of migration studies as well as transcultural identity formation in the context of globalisation. They have gained a differentiated understanding of Indian global migration.

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

S (2)  
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)**

a) presentation (approx. 20 minutes) and term paper (approx. 10 pages) or  
b) take-home test (time to complete: maximum 3 days, 10 to 15 pages)  
Language of assessment: German and/or English

**Allocation of places**

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Module title: Selected Aspects of Indian Religions
Abbreviation: 04-IB27-1-192-m01

Module coordinator: holder of the Chair of Indology
Module offered by: Chair of Indology

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

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

Contents:
Using original as well as translated textual sources and/or audio-visual ethnographic material, this course will discuss selected religious practices (e.g. vows, pilgrimages, worship of deities), forms of religiousness (asceticism, bhakti), religious or theological concepts (e.g. the concept of the soul, karma and rebirth) as well as other aspects of Indian religions.

Intended learning outcomes:
Students are familiar with specific aspects of Indian religions and are able to place these in the overall context of Indian religious traditions and systems.

Courses:
S (2)
Module taught in: German and/or English

Method of assessment:
a) presentation (approx. 20 minutes) and term paper (approx. 10 pages) or
b) take-home test (time to complete: maximum 3 days, 10 to 15 pages)
Language of assessment: German and/or 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 title

**Selected Aspects of Indian Philosophy**

### Abbreviation

04-IB28-1-192-m01

### Module coordinator

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### Duration

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### Module level

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### Other prerequisites

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### Contents

Presentation and discussion of key aspects of Indian philosophy, e.g. specific systems (yoga etc.) or specific concepts (atman-brahman, purusa, prakrti etc.), using original and/or translated sources.

### Intended learning outcomes

Students are familiar with specific aspects of Indian philosophy and are able to place these in the context of the history of Indian philosophy.

### Courses

S (2)

Module taught in: German and/or English

### Method of assessment

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b) take-home test (time to complete: maximum 3 days, 10 to 15 pages)

Language of assessment: German and/or English

### Allocation of places

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### Referred to in LPO I

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### Module title

**Selected Aspects of Indian Literatures**

| Abbreviation | 04-IB29-1-192-m01 |

### Module coordinator

holder of the Chair of Indology

### Module offered by

Chair of Indology

### ECTS

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### Duration

| Module level | Other prerequisites |

1 semester    undergraduate --

### Contents

Using original and/or translated textual sources, this course will discuss selected epochs, genres (e.g. epics, Kavya poetry), major recurring themes (e.g. the Rama theme), individual pieces of writing or other key aspects of literatures in Old, Middle and New Indo-Aryan languages (potentially across a range of epochs and genres).

### Intended learning outcomes

Students are familiar with the aspects the course discussed and are able to evaluate these aspects in the context of the history of the respective literature.

### Courses

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Module taught in: German and/or English

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**Duration**
1 semester

**Module level**
undergraduate

**Contents**
Using original and/or translated textual sources (potentially from a range of epochs and genres), this course will discuss key aspects of Indian intellectual and cultural history, e.g. the Hindu concept of the state and the kingdom, material culture, art history and iconography.

**Intended learning outcomes**
Students are familiar with the aspects the course discussed. They are able to evaluate these aspects and understand their importance for Indian intellectual and cultural history.

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

S (2)
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)

a) presentation (approx. 20 minutes) and term paper (approx. 10 pages) or
b) take-home test (time to complete: maximum 3 days, 10 to 15 pages)
Language of assessment: German and/or English

**Allocation of places**
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**Duration**

1 semester

**Module level**

undergraduate

**Other prerequisites**

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**Contents**

The aim of this module is to provide historical overviews of specific topics in Indian regional studies (e.g. urban development, language policy) or to explore selected topical issues in Indian society, politics, and culture. We will also look at current media coverage - in India and other (preferably English-speaking) countries - of issues discussed.

**Intended learning outcomes**

Students have acquired a thorough knowledge about selected aspects of the society, politics, history, geography, and culture of modern South Asia. They are able to evaluate and comment on current events and related media coverage.

**Courses**

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

S (2)

Module taught in: German and/or English

**Method of assessment**

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b) take-home test (time to complete: maximum 3 days, 10 to 15 pages)

Language of assessment: German and/or English

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**Other prerequisites**

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**Contents**

Translation of literary or non-literary Hindi texts of medium to high difficulty. Introduction into problems that arise from differences between the source and the target language.

**Intended learning outcomes**

Students will be introduced to the fundamental principles of translation as well as to translation techniques. They will develop basic literary translation skills.

**Courses**

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

S (2)

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 to 120 minutes)

Language of assessment: German and/or English

**Allocation of places**

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**Additional information**

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