

Admission Regulations for the Consecutive Study Programme Master of Arts in English Philology at Georg-August-Universität Göttingen

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EXTRACT on the relevance of previous study programmes (§ 2 Admission Requirements par. 3 sent. 1-2 on subject-specific requirements)

The Selection Panel is responsible for deciding whether a previous study programme can be considered pertinent to the MA programme. A previous study programme can be considered pertinent if at least the following can be proved:

courses/modules from areas of English, Anglophone and North American literature and culture, English linguistics, history of English and practical English skills to the extent of at least 50 ECTS credits [or their equivalent in study hours]; amongst these courses/modules on English, Anglophone and North American literature and culture, English linguistics and history of English worth at least 25 ECTS [or their equivalent in study hours].

Note that 1 ECTS is worth 30 hours of study time. The minimum requirement for admittance to the Master of Arts programme in English Philology therefore is to have at least 750 hours of courses on aspects of literary and cultural studies, history and analysis; linguistics; and the history of English. Applicants are advised to check this in advance, and to add documentation that prove the contents of courses or modules if these are not immediately clear from the course or module title to avoid misunderstandings. E.g. the Selection Panel members will consider a course titled "English Composition" as a course that focuses on improving students' writing skills; it is therefore not a subject-specific course, but a practical English language course. If the course actually focused on eighteenth-century essays and discourses – and hence is a subject-specific course, not one on practical English language skills –, this should be expressly pointed out to the Selection Panel.

EXTRACT on language requirements and proof of language skills (§ 2 Admission Requirements par. 4 sent. 1-4 on language requirements)

Applicants whose mother tongue is not English must demonstrate their proficiency in the English language. Proof of adequate proficiency in English must be provided in the form of standardised or accredited certificates. These should correspond to the C1 level of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages of the Council of Europe (CEFRL):

- a) UNlcert®: at least UNlcert® III;
- b) NULTE certificates: min. level C1;
- c) Cambridge English Scale: min. 180 points;
- d) „International English Language Testing System” (IELTS Academic): min. band 6.5;
- e) „Test of English as a Foreign Language, internet-based test” (TOEFL iBT): min. 110 points;
- f) Global Scale of English (Pearson Academic): min. 76 points.

The issue date of the certificate must not be older than two years at the time of application for admission to the programme.

Applicants can also provide proof of adequate proficiency in the English language by the successful completion of a course of study that includes English proficiency at CEFRL C1 level minimum as an accredited competence objective. The completion must not date back longer than two years, counted from the date of the application.

Note that for this, the level of English language skills attained in the previous study programme must be explicitly state in the Diploma Supplement. Letters by the university offering the previous study programme are not sufficient proof.

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