

UCL - Université catholique de Louvain Study Programme 2024-2025

HORI2M1 - Teaching profile

Learning outcomes

The Master [60] in Ancient Languages and Literatures : Oriental Studies trains specialists in Oriental texts and civilisations, with a particular focus on the following fields: Ancient Egypt, Ancient Near East, Greek language, Biblical languages, Byzantium, Medieval Middle East, Islam and the Arab World, India.

By working on original sources, this course develops an ability to produce precise and rigorous analyses, guided by a critical mind-set and intellectual independence, with a view to interpreting an author's ideas or a question relating to societal issue in its context. These gualities will enable access to employment outside the strict domain of ancient languages and literatures.

The challenge for students, in an immediate civilisation such as ours, it to promote the rigorous analysis of facts on the basis of primary sources and from a long-term perspective.

On successful completion of this programme, each student is able to :

1. Become expert in and apply knowledge in the specific field of Oriental languages and literature.

1.1. Attain expert knowledge of one or more Oriental languages including their vocabulary, grammar (morphology and syntax) and dialectology, their synchronous operation and their diachronic development;

1.2. Apply knowledge of vocabulary and grammar to Oriental texts, within the framework of different activities: translations and prior transliteration, individual research, preparation of oral presentations and production of written work;

1.3. Acquire an in-depth knowledge of Oriental works of literature and their authors, by mastering the tools and methods used in the analysis and interpretation of these texts.

2. Develop a scientific approach to Oriental societies and cultures in connection with the languages and literatures studied.

2.1. Achieve a good knowledge of the history of the Oriental world (institutions, societies, philosophy, religions and cultures); 2.2. Situate texts in their cultural and historical contexts with a view to extracting information from them relevant to an historical reconstruction project;

2.3. Depending upon the sections chosen, widening their knowledge in the field of Near-Eastern and Ancient Egyptian archaeology, in the field of Jewish, Christian and Muslim studies, or in the field of modern Asian cultures.

3. Successfully complete an individual research assignment in the field of Oriental languages and literatures and present the results.

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Stellor 1721	Advanced Greek Authors A	Lysiane Delanaye	ER [q1+q2] [45h] [5 Credits] Ø
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The programme's courses and learning outcomes

For each UCLouvain training programme, a reference framework of learning outcomes specifies the the skills expected of every graduate on completion of the programme. Course unit descriptions specify targeted learning outcomes, as well as the unit's contribution to reference framework of learning outcomes.

HORI2M1 - Information

Access Requirements

Master course admission requirements are defined by the French Community of Belgium Decree of 7 November 2013 defining the higher education landscape and the academic organisation of courses.

General and specific admission requirements for this programme must be satisfied at the time of enrolling at the university.

Unless explicitly mentioned, the bachelor's, master's and licentiate degrees listed in this table or on this page are to be understood as those issued by an institution of the French, Flemish or German-speaking Community, or by the Royal Military Academy.

In the event of the divergence between the different linguistic versions of the present conditions, the French version shall prevail.

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Specific access requirements

1° Student must hold a first level university degree.

2° Candidates who do not hold a higher education diploma from the French Community of Belgium (or from a country where French is the only official language) must provide proof of sufficient mastery of the French language at level **B2** of the Common European Framework of Reference.

In the absence of an official certificate issued by an organization recognized as a full member by ALTE (see https://alte.org/Our-Full-Members), a certificate issued by the University showing that the student has been taught in French may be accepted. Examples of tests recognized by the jury for French: DELF or TCF.

3°Candidates must be able to provide proof of prior knowledge of at least one ancient Oriental language studied in the Bachelier en langues et lettres anciennes, orientation orientales.

Candidates must provide proof of competence in the following subjects:

- Ancient oriental culture and civilisation;
- Ancient oriental history and society;
- Ancient oriental language and literature;
- Human sciences (philosophy, history of Antiquity, arts and civilisations, source criticism, etc.);
- Language science, modern languages and literature.

Les 30 credits of the Minor in Antiquity: Egypt, Eastern World, Greece, Rome, the Minor in Oriental Studies or the Minor in Arabic language and Islamic civilization may satisfy these requirements.

In the absence of sufficient training in one or several of these subjects, prerequisites will be added to the student's master's programme (15 to 60 credits). This preparatory module will be made up by the jury (small panel) according to the student's previous studies.

Course equivalences are submitted for approval to the jury (small panel).

University Bachelors

Diploma	Special Requirements	Access	Remarks
UCLouvain Bachelors			
Bachelor in Ancient Languages a	nd Literatures: Oriental Studies	Direct access	
Any other bachelor		Access based on application	In case of admission, programme to be determined depending on the students educational background (consult

Others Bachelors of the French speaking Community of Belgium			
Bachelor in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies	Having studied two fields in the bachelor's programme (among Ancient Egypt, Ancient Near East, Greek, Biblical languages, Byzantium, Medieval Near East, Islam and the Arab world and/or India) allowing the choice of two sections in the master's programme	Access with additional training	Maximum 60 credits of supplementary classes integrated into the master's programme If the UCLouvain Admissions Office considers the enrolment application sufficiently complete, it will submit the application to the faculty for a decision.
Other bachelor		Access based on application	In case of admission, programme to be determined depending on the students educational background (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration). All candidates must ensure that they meet the specific access requirements.
Bachelors of the Dutch speaking	ng Community of Belgium		
Bachelor in de Oosterse talen en culturen (including the study of ancient oriental languages) Bachelor in de Taal- en regiostudies (including the study of ancient oriental languages)		Access based on application	In case of admission, programme to be determined depending on the student's educational background (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration)
Foreign Bachelors			
Bachelor in Languages and Literatures Bachelor in History, in Art History and in Archeology		Access based on application	In case of admission, programme to be determined depending on the students educational background (consult Acces on the file). All candidates must ensure that they meet the specific access requirements.

Non university Bachelors

> Find out more about links to the university

Only applicable to graduates of higher education institutions of the French Community of Belgium

Holders of a 2nd cycle University degree

Diploma	Special Requirements	Access	Remarks
"Licenciés"			
Licence en langues et littératures	s orientales	Access based on application	In case of admission, programme to be determined depending on the student's educational background (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration)
Masters			
Master [120] in Ancient Languag	es and Literatures: Classics	Access based on application	In case of admission, programme to be determined depending on the student's educational background (consult Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration)
Foreign Masters		Access based on application	All candidates must ensure that they meet the specific access requirements. In case of

Teaching method

The different paths available to students allow them to shape their own training in line with their skills and interests and, in this way, to have relative autonomy in their training programme. The various different areas of study provide a series of coherent and high quality courses.

- Interdisciplinarity is encouraged via the following methods : the student decides which sections he will take in the Master (60 credits) (in making this choice, he will be guided by the programme's interdisciplinary courses which complement the more philological part of the training).
- Variety of teaching methods (including e-learning) : use of multi-media for ancient languages.
- Range of learning situations : individual and group work, seminars and lectures.

Evaluation

The evaluation methods comply with the regulations concerning studies and exams. More detailed explanation of the modalities specific to each learning unit are available on their description sheets under the heading "Learning outcomes evaluation method".

The written and oral exams aim to measure knowledge acquired as well as the student's know-how and communication skills. — Some subjects, geared towards helping the student develop research and personal criticism skills, are the subject of presentations and discussions spread over the year (permanent assessment).

Courses are evaluated according to current university regulations (see General Examination Regulations). Students may find further information on specific evaluation methods in the course descriptions.

To obtain a student's average, the grades awarded for each course unit are weighted by their respective credits.

Mobility and/or Internationalisation outlook

The participation in an international mobility scheme is not authorized within the framework of this 1-year master's programme.

Under the agreements between UCLouvain and KU Leuven, some courses in Greek language and literature as well as courses in various fields of Oriental Studies (Egyptology, Ancient Near East, etc.) may be selected from the KU Leuven programmes.

Possible trainings at the end of the programme

Upon successful completion of the Master [60] in Ancient Languages and Literatures : Oriental Studies, graduates may:

- 1. enrol in the corresponding Master 120's programme;
- 2. enrol in the Teacher Training Certificate (upper secondary education);
- 3. enrol in another master's programme (60 or 120);
- 4. do a postgraduate internship and/or prepare their socio-professional integration.

1. Corresponding Master 120 programme

Upon completion of Master [60] in Ancient Languages and Literatures : Oriental Studies, students directly access the Master [120] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies. Their programme, of minimum 60 credits, will include the Master's dissertation (between 15 and 30 credits) which may complete their Master 60 individual final project, the chosen focus (30 credits) and possible supplementary classes determined by the jury.

2. Teacher Training Certificate (upper secondary education)

Student may access the teaching focus of the Master [120] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Classics. Taking into account the

Other Master's programmes of UCLouvain are widely accessible, either directly or through supplementary classes, to UCLouvain graduates. For example :

- Master [120] in Public Administration
- Master [60] in Management (shift schedule)
- Master [120] in Population and Development Studies

4. Postgraduate internship and socio-professional integration

Students have the opportunity, during their Master's programme or after graduation, to prepare their **socio-professional integration** with the qualified services of the Faculty and of UCLouvain. It is also possible for them to complete their training with a **postgraduate internship** in Belgium or abroad. In some cases, procedural steps must be undertaken during the master's programme.

- Further information on postgraduate internships: https://uclouvain.be/fr/facultes/fial/stage-apres-diplomation.html
- Further information on the Faculty's Employment Service: https://uclouvain.be/fr/facultes/fial/service-emploi.html
- Further information on the interviews and workshops offered to (future) graduates by the Centre d'information et d'orientation (CIO): https://uclouvain.be/fr/etudier/cio/futur-diplome-diplome.html

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