

Title of the study programme: German Philology and Another Foreign Language
State code of the study programme: 612R20006
Study cycle: First Cycle studies
Type of the study programme: Bachelor studies

Major study area: Humanities

Group of study fields: Philology
Study field (code): Germanic philology (R200)

Major qualification degree awarded: Bachelor in Germanic philology

Minor study area: Humanities

Group of study fields: Philology
Minor study field: French philology

Branches of the Study Field: French language

Minor qualification degree awarded: Bachelor in French language

Group of study fields: Philology
Minor study field: Skandinavian philology

Branches of the Study Field: Scandinavian studies

Minor qualification degree awarded: Bachelor in Scandinavian studies

Mode of studies: Full-time

Length of the study programme (in years): 4

Study programme volume in credits: 240

Total student's workload (in hours): 6435

Contact hours: 2653

Self-study hours: 3782

Language(s) of instruction: Lithuanian

Aim of the study programme: The programme aims at providing solid fundamentals in linguistics and literary theory, communication skills in German (C1-C2) and another foreign (French or a Scandinavian (Danish, Norwegian or Swedish) language (B2), ability to understand the culture of German-speaking countries and France or Scandinavian countries as well as analyze phenomena of German and another foreign language as well as literature in some broader linguistic and literary context. It also includes basic skills in critical thinking, autonomous learning, communicating and working in a multilingual environment. During the internship the students acquire basic skills in translation and/or interpretation, research skills or skills in teaching German as a foreign language.

Study programme generic competencies developed: **GENERIC COMPETENCES:** 1. Ability to work and study autonomously applying the gained knowledge in practical situations. 2. Analytical and critical thinking. 3. Proficiency in the national and in a second language. 4. Intercultural competence and teamwork under application of ethical values. 5. Learning orientation and quality orientation. 6. Creativity.

Study programme subject specific competencies developed: **SUBJECT-SPECIFIC COMPETENCES:** 1. Critical linguistic knowledge and skills. 2. Understanding and analysing the system of German at different levels. 3. Critical literary knowledge and skills. 4. Understanding and analysing German literature. 5. Understanding the culture of the German-speaking countries. 6. German language communication skills (C1-C2). 7. Proficiency in the Lithuanian language. 8. Ability to carry out linguistic/literary research. 9. Ability to use philological knowledge and skills in practical situations in and outside the University. 10. Understanding and analysing the system of French or a Scandinavian (Danish, Norwegian or Swedish) language at different levels. 11. Understanding and analysing French or Skandinavian literature. 12. Understanding French or Scandinavian culture. 13. French or a Scandinavian (Danish, Norwegian or Swedish) language communication skills (B2).

Study programme learning outcomes:	<p>Graduates will be able to understand linguistic and literary concepts, carry out philological research, analyze the system of German and another foreign (French or a Scandinavian) language at different levels (Phonetics, Grammar, Lexicology, Pragmatics etc.), establish comparisons between them and Lithuanian, analyze and interpret German, French or Scandinavian literature in a broader literary and cultural context, understand the culture of German-speaking countries, Scandinavian countries or France and compare it to Lithuanian culture, communicate in German (C1-C2), French or a Scandinavian (Danish, Norwegian or Swedish) language (B2) and Lithuanian in different situations, understand, skim, create and edit texts of various genres in German, translate and interpret from/to German and will demonstrate basic skills in teaching German as a foreign language and using IT to process language. Other skills include autonomous and team learning and work; analyzing, systematizing and evaluating information; communicating and working in an intercultural environment; creative generating ideas, critical self-evaluation and continuous learning.</p>
Content of the study programme: course unit groups:	<p>The degree programme consists of German philology as the major study field (165 credits), French language or Scandinavian studies as the minor study field (60 credits) and general university education (15 credits). German philology studies include linguistics, language communication (understanding, writing and translating texts), literature and culture. The ability to carry out linguistic/literary research is developed by writing and defending the BA thesis (20 credits in total). The independent practice and work placement (15 credits in total) is available as the following options: translation, research-related practice (corpus linguistics), teaching German as a foreign language. Optional courses in the German language, linguistics and literature make 35 per cent of the major study field. The minor studies include French or a Scandinavian (Danish, Norwegian or Swedish) language and different aspects of French or Scandinavian literature and culture.</p>
Distinctive features of the study programme:	<p>The strengths of the degree programme are the all-round studies in German philology that cover the German language, linguistics, literature and culture at different levels (from theoretical knowledge to its application in practical situations, analysis, synthesis and evaluation) as well as research integration which ensures a solid education. Another distinctive feature includes the fact that the programme aims to attract motivated candidates who know exactly before enrolment what minor study field they are going to choose: Scandinavian studies (Danish, Norwegian or Swedish) or French. Another foreign language and culture skills may enhance the employment chances.</p>
Teaching and learning methods:	<p>The curriculum includes lectures, seminars, practical classes, internship and professional placement, as well as independent work. Apart from classical lectures, demonstration of video and audio material, illustration etc., active learning methods are used, including interactive lectures, problem-solving, etc. Seminars and practical classes are given to small groups (about 16 students) and student-oriented methods are used such as brainstorming, group discussions, presentations and reading (individual and in pairs). A lot of attention is devoted to independent studies: essay and term paper writing, using different information technologies, feedback and peer-review. Students have internship at the university and professional placement outside the university (in translation bureaus, publishing houses, editorial offices, schools, etc.). Practice report is submitted at the end of the practice period. The preparation of the final thesis includes empirical linguistic or literary research.</p>
Assessment methods:	<p>Written (or written and oral) examination, continuous and cumulative assessment (of essays, presentations, research papers and other assignments), assessment of the submitted work placement report, assessment of the presentation on the final thesis and its defense. The student's achievements are assessed using the grading scale from 1 (very poor) to 10 (excellent).</p>
Graduation thesis or/and final examinations:	<p>The study programme is concluded by the defence of a BA thesis. While writing the BA thesis, linguistic or literary research is carried out.</p>
Access to further studies:	<p>Graduates of this study programme can continue their studies in a variety of second-cycle degree programmes in humanities, first of all, specialising in philology: Legal German, translation/interpreting, general/applied linguistics, literary anthropology and culture, intermedial literary studies, semiotics or Scandinavian studies etc. as well as some master programmes in the field of social sciences.</p>
Employability:	<p>Graduates are highly-qualified philologists, able to work in translation bureaus, editorial offices, publishing houses, travel agencies, consular offices, other institutions and companies where excellent command of German and a good command of another foreign language, interpersonal and intercultural skills are required.</p>
Chair of the study Programme Committee:	<p>Dr. Vaiva Žeimantienė</p>