Spanish

Degree conferred
Master of Arts in Languages and Literatures: Spanish

Languages of study
Study in Spanish

Commencement of studies
Commencement of studies in the Autumn Semester (September) or in the Spring Semester (February)

Access to further studies
Ph.D.

Profile of the study programme

The master programme in Spanish covers the four following fields:
- Hispanic literatures in their historical and cultural context and the relationship between them; the Spanish language, its development through history and its current variants (Spain and Latin America); analysis of modern literature and linguistics; documentation and research techniques.
- The course takes an intercultural approach specific to Fribourg; it addresses the relationship between society and literature and combines literary criticism with theoretical reflection. It thus offers a dual linguistic and philological perspective, the University of Fribourg being the only university in the region to specialise in the latter.
- The choice of modules guarantees great flexibility as to the content of the course.

Contact between members of the Department and students is always direct and personal. The size of the classes allows for interactive collaboration and guarantees that everyone is heard. At the master level, a language trip or study trip to a Spanish-speaking country is strongly recommended to complement the teaching of the Spanish language and culture.

Learning outcomes and career openings

At the end of their master programme, students will have acquired the necessary skills for independent research in the field of Hispanic literature, linguistics or philology. They will have developed their skills in analysis and synthesis, their capacity for personal critical reflection and documentary research and have a command of the different methodological approaches. Their oral and written proficiency in Spanish will approach the C2 level.

This course opens up a wide variety of career opportunities, such as:
- Teaching: university teaching and research; teaching at the upper secondary level (with DEEM/LDM), as well as in private schools and the business sector;
- Writing professions: journalism, advertising, libraries, archives, literary and technical translation, the book industry
Studies organisation

Structure of studies

90 ECTS credits + 30 ECTS credits as an option in a minor study programme freely chosen or in a specialisation programme, 3 to 4 semesters

Curriculum

http://studies.unifr.ch/go/h2ehx

Admission

Master's degree programmes are built on the knowledge and abilities that were acquired when obtaining a bachelor's degree.

Holders of a bachelor's degree awarded by a Swiss university are admitted to a master's degree programme without any preconditions if they have earned 60 or 90 ECTS credits – depending on the chosen master's degree programme – within the corresponding discipline. However, additional requirements can be required. The same applies to holders of a bachelor's degree awarded by a foreign university, provided that the bachelor's degree is recognised and considered equivalent by the University of Fribourg.

Holders of a bachelor's degree awarded by a Swiss or a foreign university, provided that the bachelor's degree is recognised and considered equivalent by the University of Fribourg, who do not fulfil this condition can be admitted to a master's degree programme with preconditions (which must be successfully completed before starting the master's degree programme) and/or additional requirements (which can be completed during the master's degree programme). The preconditions and/or additional requirements may not exceed 60 ECTS credits in total. The same applies to holders of a bachelor's degree awarded by a Swiss university of applied sciences, according to existing agreements.

The respective conditions of admission for each master's degree programme are reserved.

Alternatives

Also offered as a minor study programme and as a specialisation programme (30 ECTS credits).

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