

# MA French (Specialisation: Language Studies) P/T – SH511 [Under Review]

## 1. CONTEXT AND OBJECTIVES

The MA French (Specialisation: Language Studies) programme builds upon previous undergraduate studies. It is designed to combine training in a variety of fields where specialised language competencies and skills are required with the development of critical and methodological skills. It also provides an opportunity to enhance professional qualifications to acquire a competitive advantage on the job market in the public and private sectors (in education, media, public relations and related sectors). It also provides a sound foundation for doctoral studies (MPhil/PhD) to students who wish to pursue an academic career path and/or develop further their research skills.

## 2. LEARNING OUTCOMES

Having successfully completed this programme,

- In the cognitive domain, a student should be able to:
  1. Demonstrate a broad understanding of linguistics and applied linguistics;
  2. Expand knowledge of specific research areas;
  3. Reinforce both oral presentation and scientific writing skills;
  4. Use acquired relevant jargon;
  5. Apply language and communication skills in French;
  6. Use independent critical thinking and problem-solving skills;
  7. Use rigorous research skills, and critically examine and/or evaluate theoretical and methodological approaches.
- In the affective domain, a student should be able to:
  8. Participate actively and in an ethical manner in both group work and independent activities as well as in department seminars/workshops/conferences;
  9. Manage time effectively and be committed to achieve learning outcomes.

## 3. TEACHING AND LEARNING METHODS

The programme aims to provide several modes of delivery of courses to students. Independent study will consist in personal reading, essay writing and individual research work. Students will delve into active learning through various practical group activities, problem-solving activities, oral presentations and/or debates. E-learning and/or blended learning will be combined with research-based activities (bibliographical research, for example). Students will be required to attend seminars and conferences as well as guest lectures.

#### 4. ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- **GENERAL ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR ENTRY TO THE UNIVERSITY**

Successful completion of an undergraduate degree with:

- At least a Second Class or 50%, whichever is applicable or
- A GPA not less than 2.5 out of 4 or equivalent, from a recognised higher education institution.

**OR** alternative qualifications acceptable to the University of Mauritius.

- **PROGRAMME REQUIREMENTS**

At least a Second Class Degree in French from a recognized University or alternative qualifications acceptable to the University of Mauritius.

Admission will be granted after examination of the applicants' files. Applicants may also be convened for an interview.

#### 5. PROGRAMME DURATION – P/T

The Programme will be offered on a part-time basis. The duration of the programme should normally not exceed 4 years (8 semesters).

	<b>Normal [Years]</b>	<b>Maximum (Years)</b>
<b>Master's Degree</b>	2	4
<b>Postgraduate Diploma</b>	2	4
<b>Postgraduate Certificate</b>	1	2

#### 6. MINIMUM NUMBER OF LCCS CREDITS TO BE EARNED FOR THE AWARD

- *For Degree award*

Total number of LCCS Credits to be earned for the award of the MA Degree is 72, including the Dissertation.

Breakdown is as follows:

<b>Master's Degree</b>	<b>Core Taught Modules</b>	<b>Dissertation</b>	<b>Electives/ Optional Modules</b>	<b>TOTAL LCCS Credits</b>
<b>LCCS Credits</b>	36	18	18	<b>72</b>

- *For each academic year*

The distribution of LCCS credits per year is indicated in the table below.

<b>Type</b>	<b>Core Taught Modules</b>	<b>Electives</b>	<b>Dissertation</b>	<b>Total no of LCCS credits</b>
	<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Year 2</b>		
<b>Master's degree</b>	36	18	18	72

<b>Postgraduate Diploma</b>	A minimum of 24 LCCS credits from core modules including MALF5100-M		48
<b>Postgraduate Certificate</b>	24		24

## 6. ASSESSMENT AND DEADLINES

### - **Continuous Assessment: 40% - 50%**

Each module will carry 100 marks and will be assessed as follows (unless otherwise specified) :

- Assessment will be based on a written examination of 2-hour duration and continuous assessment will carry 40%-50% of total marks (unless otherwise stated).
- An overall total of 40% for combined continuous assessment and written examination components is required to pass a module without minimum thresholds within the individual continuous assessment and written examination. All modules carry equal weighting.
- The same criterion as above will apply for modules being assessed jointly. Note that all overall marks for the two modules will be considered and not the individual marks for each of the two modules.
- Modules having a strong methodological component and marked “M” at the end will be assessed entirely by continuous assessment.
- Written examinations for all modules, whether taught in semester 1 or in semester 2 or both, will be carried at the end of the academic year (unless otherwise stated).

### - **Examinations: 50% - 60%**

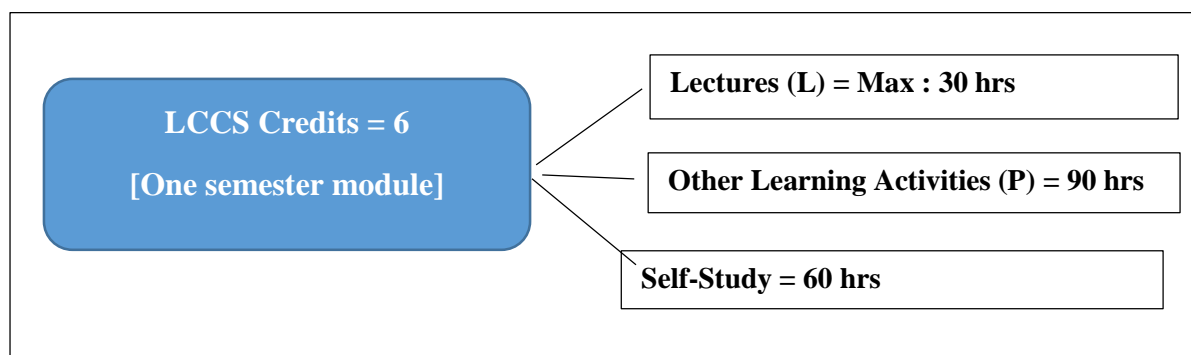
- For modules taught in semester 1 and which are examined at the end of semester 2 of the given academic year, there will be a compulsory class test at the end of semester 1 (unless otherwise stated).

Record of activities for Continuous Assessment: As per University of Mauritius rules and regulations.

## 8. LIST OF MODULES (TOTAL = 72 LCCS CREDITS)

Code	Module Name	Hrs/Wk (L + P)	LCCS Credits
MALF5100-M	Méthodologie et travaux de recherche en linguistique	-	6
MALF5110	Théories du langage et linguistique du français	30 h + 45 h	6
MALF5113	Linguistique de l'énonciation et du texte 1	30 h + 45 h	6
MALF5114	Acquisition du langage et des langues	30 h + 45 h	6
MALF5121	Plurilinguisme et contact des langues	30 h + 45 h	6
MALF5123	Linguistique de l'énonciation et du texte 2	30 h + 45 h	6
MALF5200	Dissertation	-	18
MALF5210	Créolistique	30 h + 45 h	6
MALF5214	Traduction : théorie et pratique	30 h + 45 h	6
MALF5215	Analyse linguistique de récits	30 h + 45 h	6
MALF5216	Langue, société et espace	30 h + 45 h	6

**Note:** (1) Total number of hours for Lectures and Practicals are indicated by the letters "L" and "P" respectively in the table above. Breakdown for learning hours for a module worth 6 LCCS credits is indicated below.



(2) It is understood that hours for practicals comprise learning activities. Further details will be available in the module catalogue on the University of Mauritius website.

(3) The University reserves the right not to offer a given elective module if the critical number of students is not attained and/or owing to resource constraints.

- **TOTAL NUMBER OF HOURS FOR LECTURES/TUTORIALS (TOTAL = 72 LCCS CREDITS)**

Lectures: (6 core modules x 30 h = 180 h) + (3 Electives x 30 h = 90 h) = 270 h

Self-Study: (9 x 60 h) = 540 h

- **Key assessment criteria for the award**

All modules should be completed for award of the degree. LCCS credits to be earned : 72

- **Exit point**

A student may exit with a Postgraduate Certificate or a Postgraduate Diploma provided s/he satisfies the minimum requirements as given hereunder. The request for exit should be made in writing to the Dean of Faculty through Head of Department and Programme Coordinator.

- Minimum Requirements for exit with a Postgraduate Certificate – 24 LCCS credits
- Minimum Requirements for exit with a Postgraduate Diploma – 48 LCCS credits

**9. PROGRAMME PLAN**

<b>YEAR 1</b>			
<b>CORE MODULES</b>			
<b>Code</b>	<b>Module Name</b>	<b>L+P</b>	<b>LCCS Credits</b>
MALF5100-M	Méthodologie et travaux de recherche en linguistique	-	6
MALF5110	Théories du langage et linguistique du français	30 h + 45 h	6
MALF5113	Linguistique de l'énonciation et du texte 1	30 h + 45 h	6
MALF5114	Acquisition du langage et des langues	30 h + 45 h	6
MALF5121	Plurilinguisme et contact des langues	30 h + 45 h	6
MALF5123	Linguistique de l'énonciation et du texte 2	30 h + 45 h	6
<b>SUB-TOTAL YEAR 1</b>			<b>36</b>

<b>YEAR 2</b>			
<b>CORE MODULES</b>			
<b>Code</b>	<b>Module Name</b>	<b>L+P</b>	<b>LCCS Credits</b>
FREN5000	Dissertation	-	18
<b>ELECTIVES</b>			
MALF 5210	Créolistique	30 h + 45 h	6
MALF 5214	Traduction : théorie et pratique	30 h + 45 h	6
MALF 5215	Analyse linguistique de récits	30 h + 45 h	6
MALF 5216	Langue, société et espace	30 h + 45 h	6
<i>Sub-total [Three out of four electives]</i>			18
<b>SUB-TOTAL YEAR 2</b>			<b>36</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>			<b>72</b>

**Note:** (1) Tutorials will be given in groups of 20 to 25 students.

(2) In Year 2, students will choose 3 out of 4 electives.

(3) Additional electives may also be offered, depending on availability of resources.

(4) The University reserves the right not to offer a given elective module if the critical number of students is not attained and/or for reasons of resource constraints.