

English Studies preliminary teaching programme 2026-7

Specialization studies

The Specialization studies consist of four elective thematic modules offered by the programme.

Completing a module requires students to complete at least three courses from that module.

General line: students complete two modules (for a total of 6 courses)

Teacher line: students complete one module and one additional course, Researching English for Teaching and Learning (total of 4 courses).

Depending on the study unit, different completion methods are available: attend a course with contact teaching, do an independent study option or a book exam.

Language and Society module teaching

Code	Study unit name	Scope (cr)	Period(s)	Teacher(s)	Completion method	Open to exchange students
ENG-S306	Language and Identity	5	1-2	Minna Nevala	Contact teaching	Open for exchange students of the study programme
ENG-S307	Language Policy	5	1-2	Anna Solin	Contact teaching	Open for exchange students of the study programme
ENG-S308	Writing and Literacy Across Contexts	5	1-2	Niina Hynninen	Contact teaching	Open for exchange students of the study programme
ENG-S309	Historical Sociolinguistics	5	1-2	Tanja Säily	Contact teaching	Open for exchange students of the study programme
ENG-S310	Posthumanist perspectives on language	5	3-4	Hanna-Mari Pienimäki	Contact teaching	Open for exchange students of the study programme

Language and Society module independent study options and book exams

Code	Study unit name	Scope (cr)	Period(s)	Teacher(s)	Completion method	Open to exchange students
ENG-S306	Language and Identity	5	1-2	Nevala Minna	Independent study	Not open for exchange students

ENG-S307	Language Policy	5	3-4	Solin Anna	Independent study	Not open for exchange students
ENG-S308	Writing and Literacy Across Contexts	5	4	Hynninen Niina	Independent study	Not open for exchange students
ENG-S309	Historical Sociolinguistics	5	3-4	Säily Tanja	Independent study	Not open for exchange students

Discourse and Digital Interaction module teaching

Code	Study unit name	Scope (cr)	Period(s)	Teacher(s)	Completion method	Open to exchange students
ENG-S311	Pragmatics of Social Media	5	1-2	Sanna-Kaisa Tanskanen, Ylva Biri	Contact teaching	Open for exchange students of the study programme
ENG-S312	Using Corpora to Analyse Discourse	5	1-2	Turo Hiltunen	Contact teaching	Open for exchange students of the study programme
ENG-S313	Annotating linguistic and multimodal data	5	3	Henna Paakki	Contact teaching	Open for exchange students of the study programme
ENG-S314	Generative AI and Language Studies	5	3-4	Joseph Flanagan	Contact teaching	Open for exchange students of the study programme
ENG-S315	Evaluation in Texts	5	3-4	Carla Suhr	Contact teaching	Open for exchange students of the study programme
ENG-S316	<i>Special Option in Discourse and Digital Interaction (two courses offered by other degree programmes)</i>					
NOR-S325	<i>Corpus linguistics</i>	5	3-4	Therese Lindström Tiedemann	Contact teaching	-
ICE-CM322	<i>Critical approaches to social media</i>	5	3-4	Saila Poutiainen (with Sanna-Kaisa Tanskanen and Elina Penttinen)	Blended teaching (contact and distance teaching)	-

Discourse and Digital Interaction module independent study options and book exams

Code	Study unit name	Scope (cr)	Period(s)	Teacher(s)	Completion method	Open to exchange students
ENG-S312	Using Corpora to Analyse Discourse	5	1.-15.3.2027; 1.6-31.8.2027	Hiltunen Turo	General exam in Examinarium	Open for all exchange students
ENG-S315	Evaluation in Texts	5	1-2	Suhr Carla	Independent study	Open for exchange students of the study programme
ENG-S316	Special Option in Discourse and Digital Interaction	5	1.10.2026-1.5.2027	Hiippala Tuomo	General exam in Examinarium	Open for exchange students of the study programme

Literature and Society module teaching

Code	Study unit name	Scope (cr)	Period(s)	Teacher(s)	Completion method	Open to exchange students
ENG-S318	Political Shakespeare	5	1-2	Nely Keinänen	Contact teaching	Open for exchange students of the study programme
ENG-S320	Speculative Fiction	5	1-2	NN	Contact teaching	Open for exchange students of the study programme
ENG-S321	Special Option in Literature and Society: Fantastic Literature (fall 2026)	5	1-2	Christian Schneider	Contact teaching	Open for exchange students of the study programme

Literature and Society module independent study options and book exams

Code	Study unit name	Scope (cr)	Period(s)	Teacher(s)	Implementation method	Open to exchange students
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ENG-S317	Early Modern Text in Context	5	1.11.-- 15.11.202 6; 1.2.- 15.2.2027 ; 15.6.- 31.7.2027	Salenius Maria	General exam in Examinarium	Open for exchange students of the study programme
ENG-S319	Literature and Ethics	5	3-4	Sklar Howard	General exam in Examinarium	Open for exchange students of the study programme

Literature and the Mind module teaching

Code	Study unit name	Scope (cr)	Period(s)	Teacher(s)	Implementation method	Open to exchange students
ENG-S323	Reading Other Minds	5	1-2	Howard Sklar	Contact teaching	Open for exchange students of the study programme
ENG-S324	Poetry and Renaissance Ideology	5	3-4	Maria Salenius	Contact teaching	Open for exchange students of the study programme

Literature and the Mind module independent study options and book exams

Code	Study unit name	Scope (cr)	Period(s)	Teacher(s)	Implementation method	Open to exchange students
ENG-S322	Cognitive Literary Studies	5	1-4	Polvinen Merja	Involves a combination of a book exam and research and writing tasks.	Open for exchange students of the study programme
ENG-S325	Shakespeare and Cognitive Poetics	5	2-4	Keinänen Nely	Independent study	Open for exchange students of the study programme

Teacher-line

Teacher-line students must complete Researching English for Teaching and Learning course

Teacher line teaching

Code	Study unit name	Scope (cr)	Period(s)	Teacher(s)	Implementation method	Open to exchange students
ENG-T305	Researching English for Teaching and Learning	5	3-4	Niina Hynninen, Anna Solin	Contact teaching	Open for exchange students of the study programme

Career Courses

General-line students must complete one career course as part of their studies.

Career Courses are all independent study options

Code	Study unit name	Scope (cr)	Period(s)	Teacher(s)	Implementation method	Open to exchange students
ENG-E327	Traineeship	5	1-4	Suhr Carla	Independent study	Not open for exchange students
ENG-E328	Career Planning	5	1-4	Suhr Carla	Independent study	Not open for exchange students
ENG-E329	International Traineeship	5	1-4	Suhr Carla	Independent study	Not open for exchange students

Thesis studies

Thesis studies are recommended for second year of studies.

Student will complete a research design course in linguistics or literature in the first teaching period and then continue on to a thesis seminar which take place during the 2-4 teaching periods

Thesis studies seminars

Code	Study unit name	Scope (cr)	Period(s)	Teacher(s)	Implementation method	Open to exchange students
ENG-331	Research Design in Linguistics	5	1	Turo Hiltunen and Niina Hynninen	Contact teaching	Not open for exchange students
ENG-332	Thesis Seminar in Linguistics	5	2, 3, 4	Turo Hiltunen, Niina Hynninen, Tanja Säily & Turo Vartiainen	Contact teaching	Not open for exchange students

ENG-333	Research Design in Literature	5	1	Nely Keinänen	Contact teaching	Not open for exchange students
ENG-334	Thesis Seminar in Literature	5	2, 3, 4	Merja Polvinen, Nely Keinänen	Contact teaching	Not open for exchange students

Thesis studies independent study options

Code	Study unit name	Scope (cr)	Period(s)	Teacher(s)	Implementation method	Open to exchange students
ENG-331	Research Design in Linguistics	5	1-4	Turo Hiltunen and Niina Hynninen	Independent study	Not open for exchange students
ENG-333	Research Design in Literature	5	1-4	Nely Keinänen	Independent study	Not open for exchange students

Computational text analysis

The programme also offers two online courses on computational text analysis which students can take as part of their other studies.

Computational text analysis courses

Code	Study unit name	Scope (cr)	Period(s)	Teacher(s)	Implementation method	Open to exchange students
ENG-502	Working with Text in Python	5	No specific time	Hiippala Tuomo	Online course	Open for all exchange students
ENG-503	Natural Language Processing for Linguists	5	No specific time	Hiippala Tuomo	Online course	Open for all exchange students