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## About your course

### Courses covered

Code	Title	UCAS Codes
HUELN	English Language Programme	Q150/Q151/Q1Q3/ Q1W1/Q1P9/Q1P7/Q1X3/ Q1W6/Q1R9/Q1T9

You can find full details of your course in the *Programme Specification*.

### Important points

- 1) As a student on the English Language Programme you may study English Language and Linguistics as a single honours subject from your first year onwards.
- 2) You may also study a number of other subjects in combination with English Language. The following subjects can be studied as a Joint or Minor with English Language:
  - Literature
  - Creative Writing
  - Journalism
  - Media

You can also study English Language as a major, with a minor in Film, History, Philosophy, English Language Teaching (ELT), or a language (French, German, Japanese, Mandarin, Spanish). You can also study English Language and Linguistics, English Language and Applied Linguistics, which is a combination of English Language, English Language Teaching (ELT) and a language.

For minors in History or Philosophy, please refer to the History programme specification or Philosophy programme specification which can be found on the relevant webpage on the website [www.herts.ac.uk](http://www.herts.ac.uk).

- 3) Students have the option of studying other subjects from within the School of Humanities, in place of some of their optional English Language modules during their first two years.

#### 4) Attendance Requirement

You are expected to attend all of your learning and teaching sessions, unless there is a good reason for you not to do so (for example because of a disability). Please note that if you miss three classes without alerting anyone as to why, your tutor will contact you to find out why. They will also alert your Year Tutor who will follow up on this.

To register your attendance, the electronic attendance monitoring system is used (this involves you scanning your ID card upon entering classrooms and lecture theatres).

## 5) Placement Year/Year Abroad

You can choose to take a Year Abroad or Placement Year before you start your final year, subject to meeting academic requirements and confirmation of a suitable institution or employer. Please see the Programme Specifications for more details.

The University will not charge you tuition fees during your Placement Year, but you may incur additional costs, including your travel and accommodation, depending on where your placement is located.

## 6) Terms and Conditions

The English Language Programme is designed to offer maximum flexibility, but timetabling constraints may mean that some combinations of modules may be unavailable. Where a clash of modules occurs a student will be asked to choose a different module. Where a module i.e. a self-contained taught unit is under-subscribed, the University reserves the right not to run that particular module and to place students on their “reserve” choice.

Some modules may have minimum entry requirements, such as achieving a particular grade or taking enough modules in the subject to qualify for a final year dissertation.

## Academic Year

### Academic Year 2020 - 2021

The University’s academic year is made up of 3 Semesters. For most undergraduate students the academic year is split into two Semesters (A & B). Each of these is made up of teaching weeks followed by exams (the re-sit period falls within Semester C)

- Semester A runs from Monday 21 September 2020 to Friday 15 January 2021
- Semester B runs from Monday 18 January 2021 to Friday 21 May 2021
- Semester C runs from Monday 24 May 2021 to Friday 17 September 2021

## Expected workload

In the UK, a full time student is expected to spend 1200 hours on their studies each year. Please find below an estimate of how your time will be spent on this course during each year of study.

	Lectures, seminars, tutorials	Independent study	Placement
Year 1	16%	84%	0%
Year 2	16%	82%	2%
Year 3	16%	84%	0%

## Method of assessment

The major method of assessment in the English Language Programme is coursework. Some subjects, such as Creative Writing, are assessed exclusively by coursework. However, most

subjects include an element of examination within their yearly framework depending on the exact combination followed. Some modules also include 'practical' coursework, which might include individual or group presentations. All language modules include regular in-class tests.

Here is an estimated average of how subjects on the programme are assessed:

	Written Exam	Coursework	Practical
Year 1	6%	89%	5%
Year 2	11%	84%	5%
Year 3	6%	91%	3%

### Additional expenses

Undergraduate study requires extensive reading and access to reference works. Recommended texts are available in the Library either as e-books or printed material. Availability of printed material may be limited, so you may wish to purchase your own copies. You may be able to purchase second-hand copies of some texts.

The average spend for recommended texts is between £75 and £150 per year, depending on the subject or subjects taken. Students on work experience modules may need to pay commuting costs.

Description	Year	Mandatory/ Optional	Estimated cost
Residential weekend (limited places available).	All levels	Optional	£145