

# M.A. Linguistics

# M.A. Speech and

# Language Processing

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# Your hosts for today



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Prof. in General and English  
Linguistics

# On chat to answer your questions:

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Student German Linguistics

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MA Speech and Language  
Processing (completed)



# Questions

During the presentations, you can use the chat function to get in touch with our departmental student advisors



# Study between Lake and Alps

- located outside the city of Konstanz on the Giessberg hill
- next to Lake Constance with a view on the Alps



# Faculties and Departments

## Faculty of Humanities

- Philosophy
- History and Sociology
- Literature
- Linguistics

## Faculty of Politics, Law and Economics

- Politics and Public Administrations
- Law
- Economics

## Faculty of Sciences

- Mathematics and Statistics
- Computer and Information Science
- Physics
- Chemistry
- Biology
- Psychology



## Study Programmes

27 Bachelor's  
Programmes (major)  
19 Bachelor's  
Programmes (minor)  
31 Master's  
Programmes



# M.A. Linguistics and M.A. Speech and Language Processing (SLP)

Degree

- Master of Arts

Programme  
start

- Winter semester
- Summer semester

Period of  
study

- 4 semesters

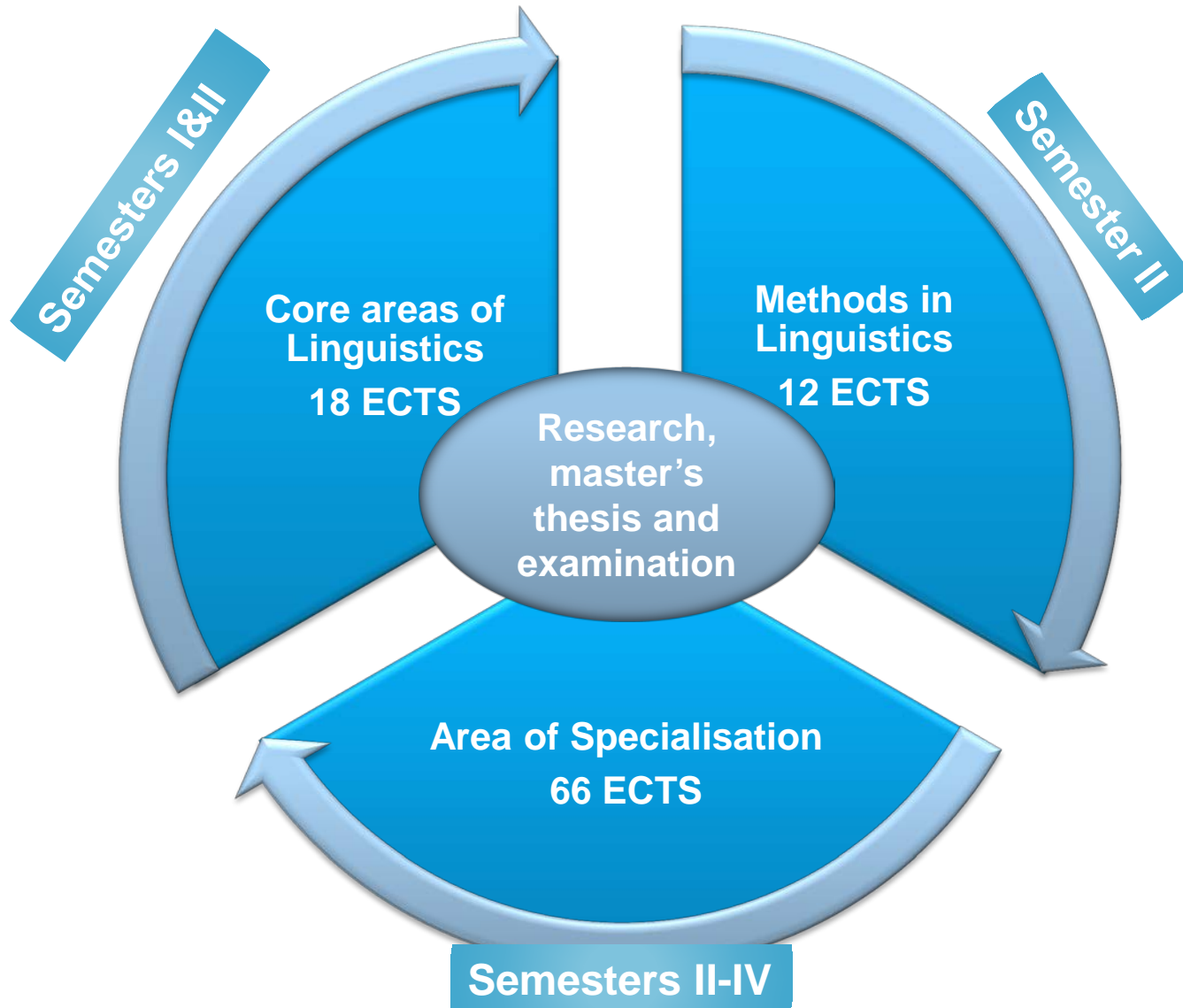
Application  
period

- 15.01. and 15.06.

ECTS

- 120

# Degree Structure **M.A. Linguistics**

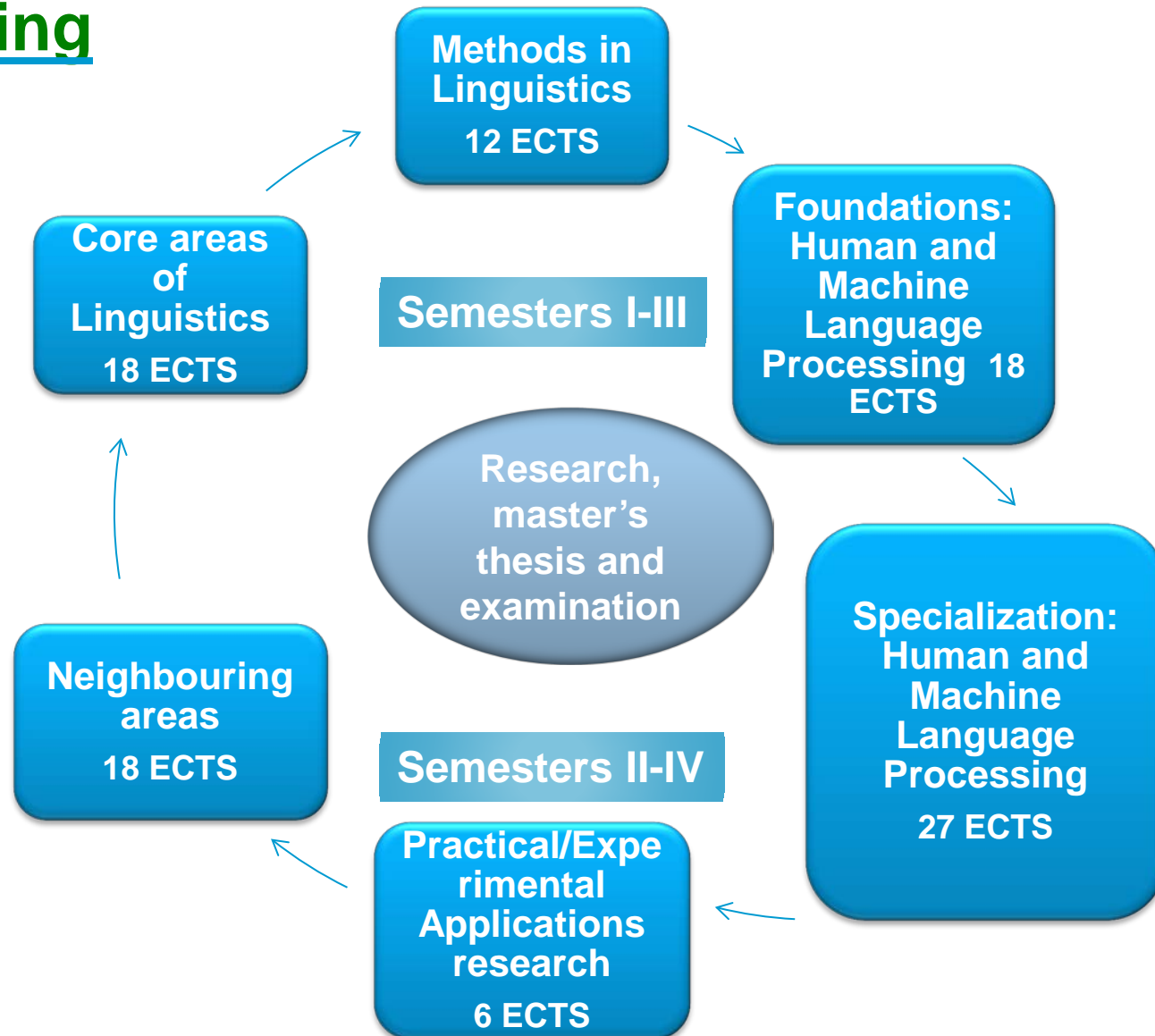




# Areas of specialisation:

- General Linguistics
- English Linguistics
- German and Germanic Linguistics
- Romance Linguistics
- Slavic Languages and Linguistics

# Degree Structure **M.A. Speech and Language Processing**



# Why study Linguistics?

Our study programmes focus on

- the basic structures across languages that underlie human speech and examines how linguistic knowledge is applied in the investigation of individual languages.
- Interfaces between core-areas (e.g., Morphology-Syntax, Prosody-Pragmatics)
- how the general theories and directions in linguistics research are taking shape in individual languages.



## Interests and skills:

- Enthusiasm for language(s) and their structure
- Formal and networked ability to think
- Very good English skills

# Why study **Speech and Language Processing?**

Our study programmes focus on

- the basic structures across languages that underlie human speech
- how linguistic knowledge is applied in the investigation of individual languages
- how linguistic knowledge is represented in the human brain, learned and processed
- how linguistics knowledge can be applied to creating tools for machine language processing



## **Interests and skills:**

- Enthusiasm for language(s) and their structure
- Logical approach to problem solving
- be willing to acquire practical skills (programming, experiment design)
- Very good English skills

# Why study **Linguistics** and **SLP** at the University of Konstanz?

Focus on theory and methods

Different study specialisations

Access to language laboratories

Research-oriented classes

Study abroad / Internship

# Prospects and Opportunities?

Fields in which the structure of language plays a role:

- academic and industrial research, natural language processing, communications and media outlets, education, political planning



The master's programmes offers foundations for work in:

- teaching and scientific research at universities and other research facilities
- public authorities or adult education
- national and international cultural work
- national and international organisations, associations and enterprises (i.e. in companies dealing with natural language technology (e.g., Google, IBM, Nuance or Amazon))
- editors in publishing and the mass media, libraries, archives, documentation centres, with publishers, radio and television companies.



# Internship and Study abroad

## Internships

In the M.A. **Linguistics**: an internship is not compulsory.  
In the **M.A. SLP**: an internship during your studies is compulsory (but this can also be done at the university).

If you are interested in gaining practical experience, the staff of our department and the university's Career Service are here to help you find a suitable placement.

## Study abroad

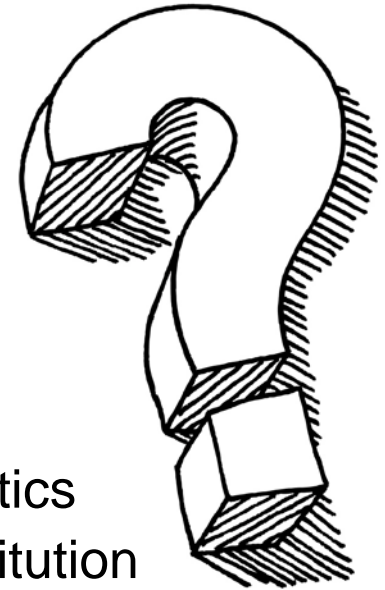
Generally, you can include a study abroad stay in your master's programme.

The university promotes study abroad via the Erasmus+ programme and numerous other exchange programmes.



Oder mal das Kolosseum erforschen?  
- uni.kn/international

# Admission requirements



## **For the M.A. Linguistics and the M.A. SLP:**

Qualifying degree with the grade "good" (2.5) or better of a three-year (or more) study programme in the field of linguistics (minimum degree: Bachelor of Arts or equivalent) at an institution of higher education or vocational college.

**International applicants** need documentation of their German language skills, level DSH-2 or TestDaF 4, or a language test recognised as equivalent.

**For the M.A. SLP:** Documentation of advanced English language skills (spoken and written English), level B2 of the Common European Reference Framework → M.A. SLP can be studied in English



# Language Skills **M.A. Linguistics**

**English language skills** (spoken and written English), **level B2** of the Common European Reference Framework of

- specialisation "English Language and Linguistics": English language skills level C1 (CEFR)
- specialisation "Romance Languages and Linguistics": language skills level C1 (CEFR) in the corresponding language.
- specialisation "Slavic Languages and Linguistics": Russian language skills level C1 (CEFR).

# Application

**Application deadline summer term:  
02.05.2018- 15.06.2018**



# Application

## – Three-step-procedure:

- online registration

- online application

[www.studium.uni-konstanz.de/bewerbung/online-bewerbung/](http://www.studium.uni-konstanz.de/bewerbung/online-bewerbung/)

- send application to the University

– generate and print out the “application to admission” form and send all required application documents to the university

## – Track your application status, use this

**contact:** [www.studium.uni-konstanz.de/en/contact/](http://www.studium.uni-konstanz.de/en/contact/)

- Please don't contact the department.

Track your application:  
[studium@uni-konstanz.de](mailto:studium@uni-konstanz.de)



### Application deadline:

Summer term:

2.5. - 15.6.

Winter term:

4.12. - 15.1.

# The Department of Linguistics

## Hosts researchers in the areas of:

(see brackets for language of instruction)

- English Language and Linguistics (English, German)
- German and Germanic Linguistics (German, English)
- Romance Languages and Linguistics (German, French, Italian, Spanish)
- Slavic Linguistics (German, Russian),
- South Asian Linguistics and Chinese

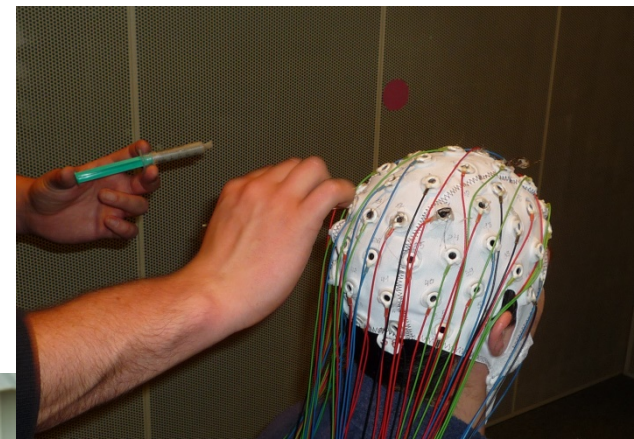
## Major research areas are:

- Core areas of Linguistics  
(Phonetics, Phonology, Morphology, Syntax, Semantics, Pragmatics)
- Experimental Linguistics  
(Neurolinguistics, Psycholinguistics, Language Acquisition)
- Computational Linguistics
- Historical Linguistics

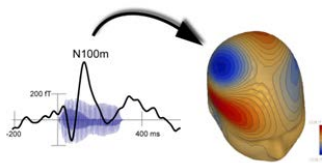
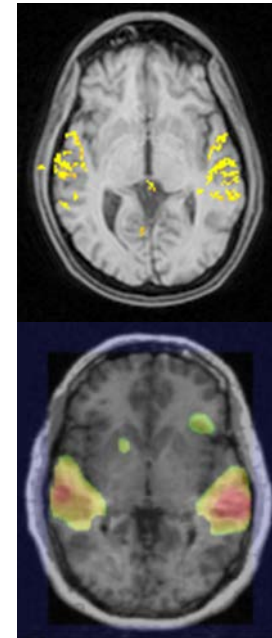


# Our labs and facilities:

## Computational Lab



## Neurolinguistics Lab



# Our labs and facilities:

## Phonlab

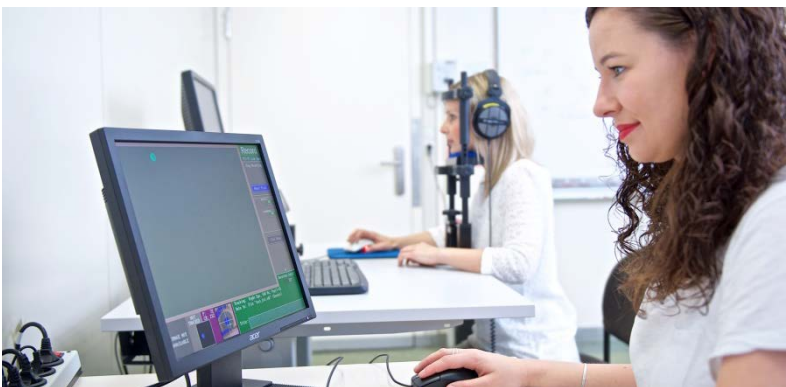


## Baby Speech

## Lab



## Psycholinguistics Lab



<https://www.ling.uni-konstanz.de/en/research/department-and-research-colloquium/laboratories/>

# Further information

Geisteswissenschaftliche Sektion  
Department of Linguistics



@KonstanzLing

Department Research Studies Advising and Services



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"Questions at the Interfaces" Research Group

Association of Konstanz Linguistics Laboratories (LingLab)

Course offerings Winter Semester 2017-18

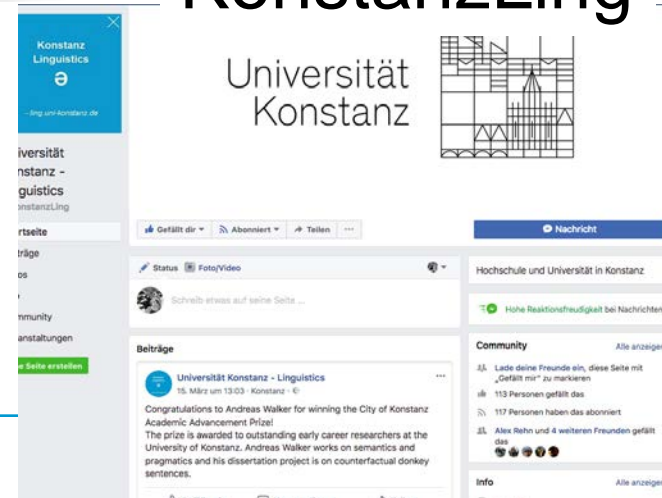
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<https://www.ling.uni-konstanz.de/en/>



# Advisory service

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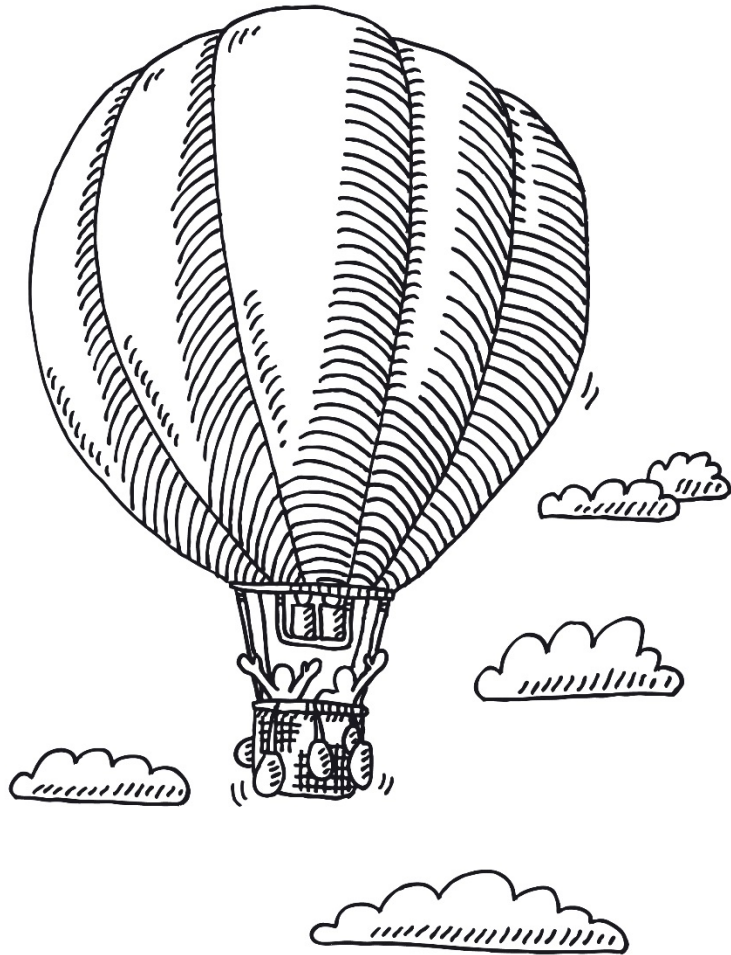
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**Thank you  
for your attention!**



**Any questions?**

