

MA Multilingualism University of Konstanz



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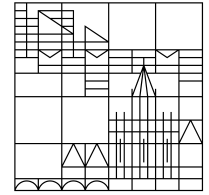
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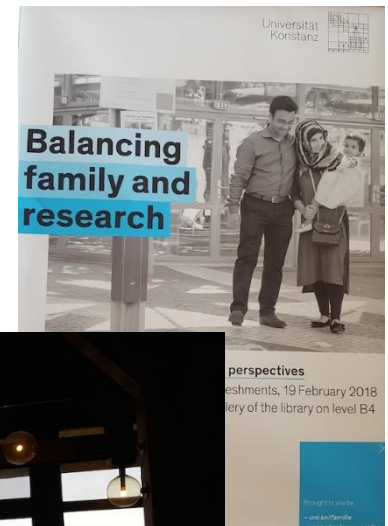
1. The University

Young university

- 1966 Founding of the university and first lectures
- 1972 Opening of the newly built university campus
- Since 2006/2007 Since 2007, the University of Konstanz has the status of an **Excellence University** and belongs to the group of **Elite Universities** in Germany (altogether 11 in the whole country)
-> **research intensive** Universities
-> receive **extra funding**

Studying in Konstanz means...

- 11,700 students from more than 90 countries
- **Interdisciplinary** study programmes
- **International** exchange programmes with 350 universities worldwide
- Relatively **small classes**
- **Family friendly** University
- At the Lake Constance with a **view of the Alps.**

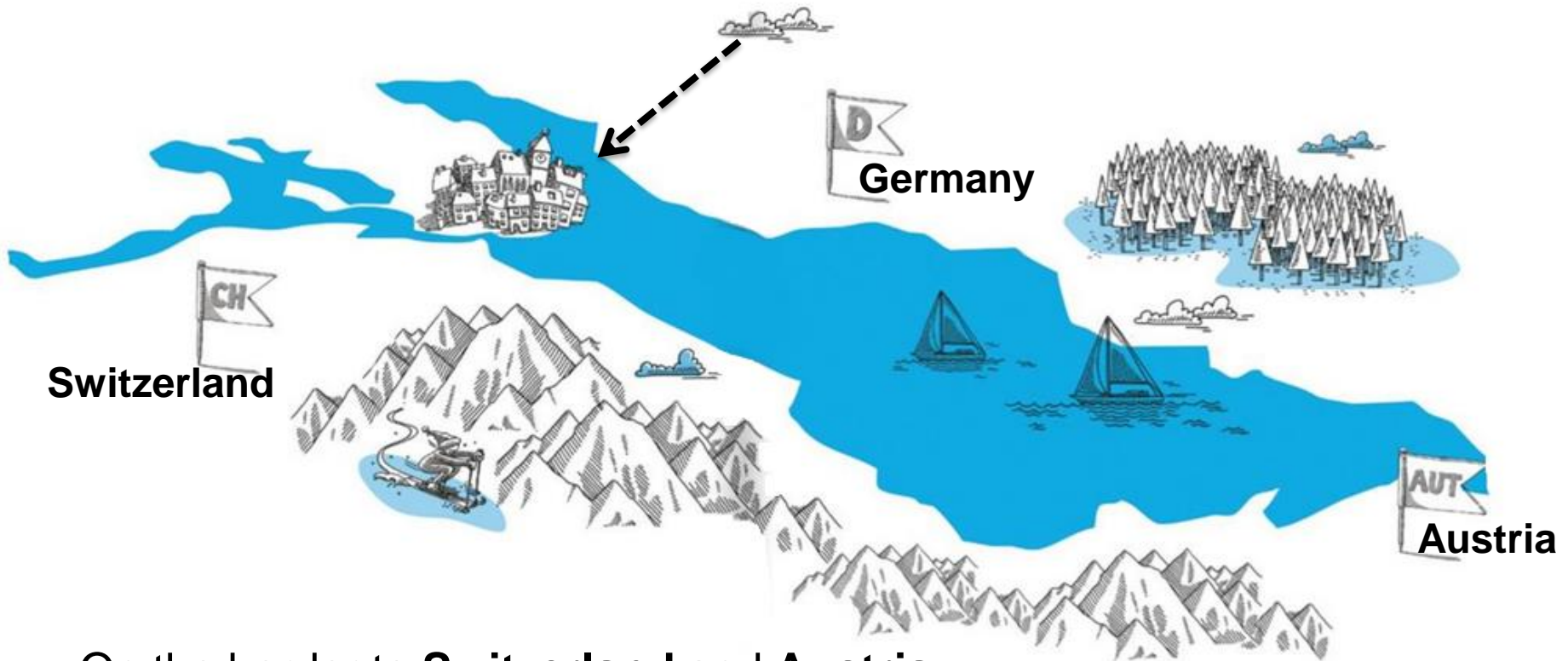


City of Konstanz

- **Mid-sized city** with 83,000 inhabitants (more than 10% students)
- **Historic** city centre
- **Bike-friendly** city



Lake Constance – Border Triangle



- On the border to **Switzerland** and **Austria**
- Near the **Alps**, on the shores of **Lake Constance** and the **Rhine** river
- **High standard of living** and **high quality outdoor activities** (hiking, swimming, biking, sailing)

Campus University



- Surrounded by **nature** and close to the **lake & University beach!**
- Quick **bike ride** from the Old Town.

Prize-winning library

- **Open 24 hours a day, including weekends**
- Two million media items: 1.7 million printed books, 135,000 e-books, 50,000 journal subscriptions and other media
- **Extensive modern work and learning space:** 1,600 workplaces + 200 PC and multimedia workplaces



Campus life around the clock

- 24-hour library
- Big band, choir, orchestra
- Student theatre
- Fitness centre
- University beach



Facts and Figures

Students

- Number of students: 11,700
- Number of foreign Students: 1,520 (13%)

Study Programmes

- 27 Bachelor's programmes (major)
- 19 Bachelor's programmes (minor)
- **31 Master's programmes with
19 international Master's**
- 33 Bachelor's and Master's of
Education
- 20 Doctoral programmes



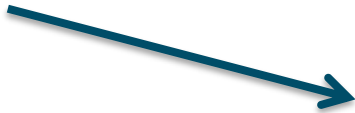
Faculties and Departments

Faculty of Sciences

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

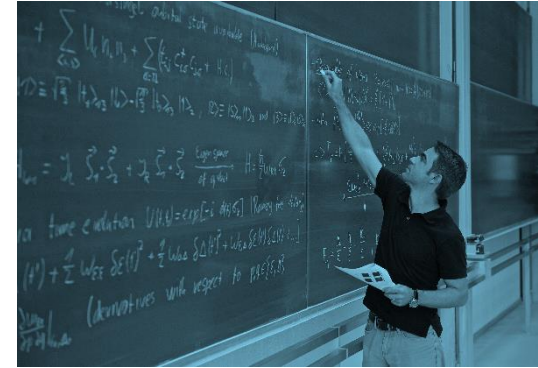
Faculty of Humanities

- Philosophy
- History and Sociology
- Literary Studies
- **Linguistics**



Faculty of Politics, Law and Economics

- Politics and Public Administrations
- Law
- Economics



The Department of Linguistics



Major research areas:

– Core areas of Linguistics

(Phonetics, Phonology, Morphology, Syntax, Semantics, Pragmatics)

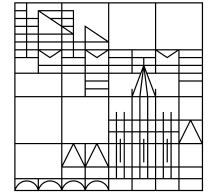
– Experimental Linguistics

(Computational Linguistics, Neurolinguistics, Psycholinguistics, Language Acquisition, **Multilingualism**).

MA programmes

- **Multilingualism**
- Speech and Language Processing
- General Linguistics
- General Linguistics with a focus on English languages
- General Linguistics with a focus on Germanic languages
- General Linguistics with a focus on Romance languages
- General Linguistic with a focus on Slavic languages

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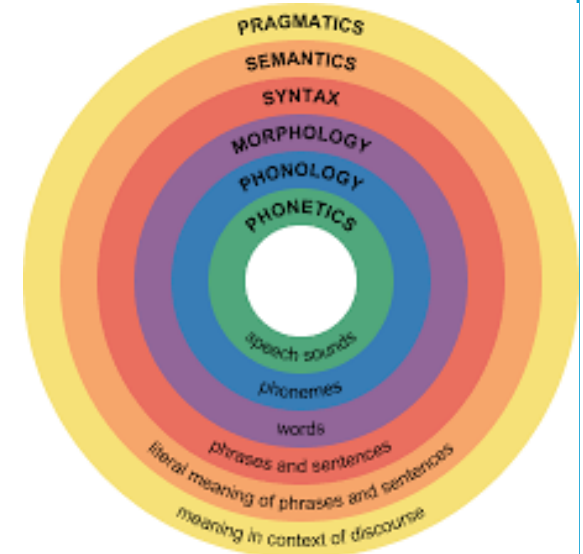
2. MA Multilingualism

Degree Structure

- 2-year programme (4 semesters), 120 ECTS-points;
- Training in Linguistics, Research Methods, & Multilingualism.

Linguistics (18 ECTS):

- Phonetics, Phonology, Morphology & Interfaces
- Syntax, Semantics, Pragmatics & Interfaces



Research methods (12 ECTS):

- Research design, experimental methods in multilingualism, designing production tasks, off-line and on-line comprehension experiments
- Descriptive statistics (including data visualisation), inferential statistics (including regression models & mixed-effects models)

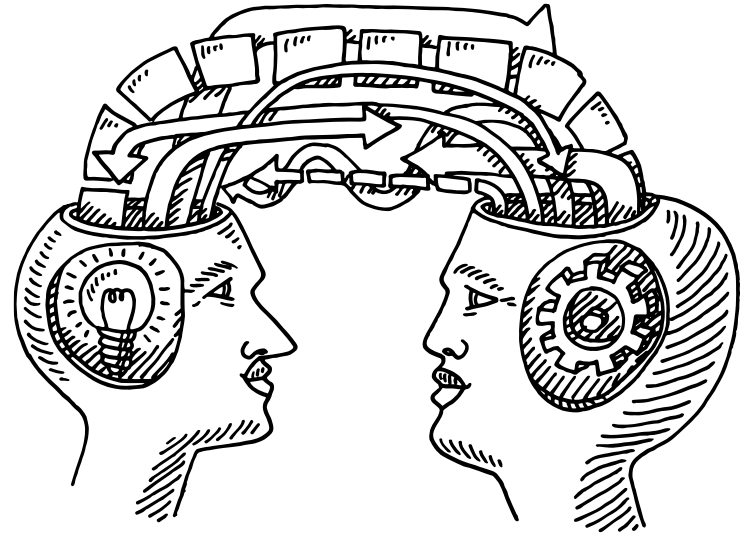
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Multilingualism and the individual (18 ECTS):

- Bilingual first language acquisition/heritage language acquisition
- Second/third language acquisition in children and adults
- Language processing in multilingual children and adults
- Neurolinguistic aspects of multilingualism
- Language Impairment in multilinguals

Multilingualism in Society (12 ECTS):

- Sociolinguistic aspects of multilingualism
- Language contact/language change
- Language loss
- Language dominance
- Language influence and language change in European and Non-European languages



Degree Structure

Interdisciplinary aspect: optional modules (9 ECTS):

- Linguistics
- Related disciplines, e.g., Psychology, Sociology, Politics
- Foreign language courses

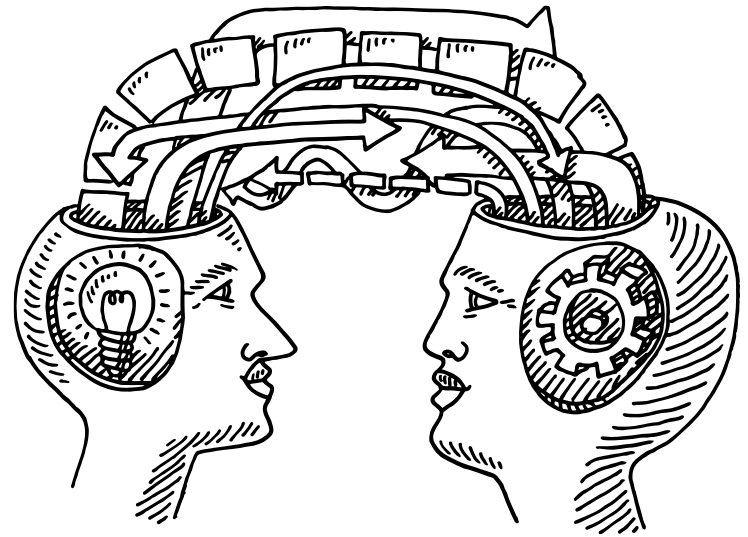
Study abroad or Internship (21 ECTS):

- 1 semester
- International experience, networking
- Exposure to different environment
- Application of theoretical knowledge

Research (9 ECTS):

- Research colloquium & seminar

MA thesis (21 ECTS): 50-60 pages



Degree Structure

Semesters I-II:

In Konstanz, focus on the research aspects of multilingualism, theoretical linguistics, research methods and statistics.

Semester III:

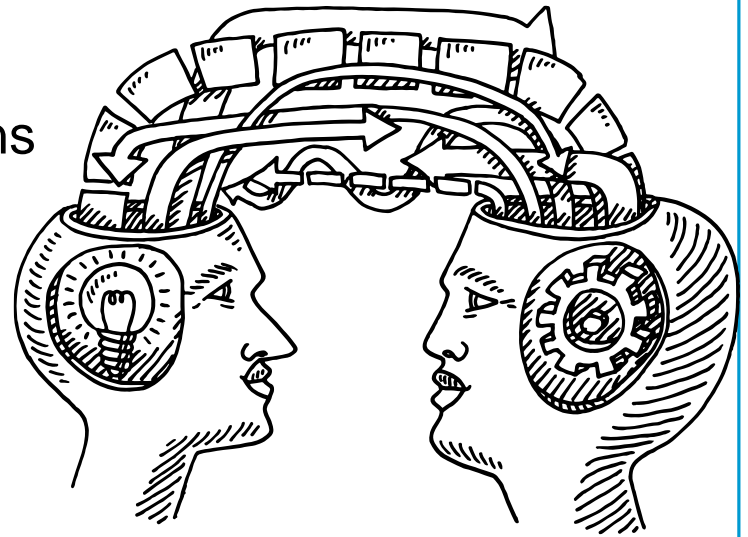
Study abroad at one of our partner institutions

OR

Internship with a company / institution / research group relevant to the degree.

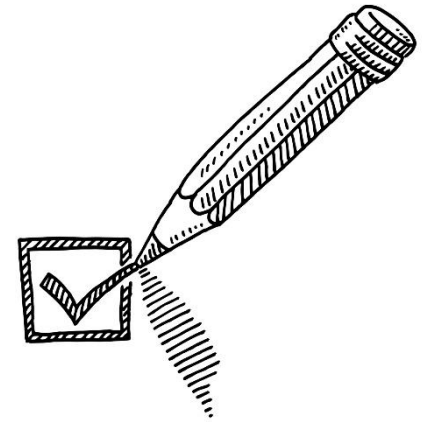
Semester IV:

MA Thesis and oral exam.



The Programme Offers:

- An **experimental focus** with access to **linguistic research labs**
- Insight into **current research methods**
- Conduct your own **research**
- Training in **research methods, data management, statistics**
- **Interdisciplinary** programme with sociology, psychology and other disciplines
- Teaching in **English** (with options in other languages)



The Programme Offers:

- World leading experts in linguistics and multilingualism

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Prof Carsten Eulitz
Neurolinguistics



Prof Bettina Braun
Phonetics



Prof Nicole Dehé
Phonology



Prof Tanja Kupisch
Bilingualism



Prof Georg Kaiser
Romance linguistics



Prof Maribel Romero
Semantics



Prof Miriam Butt
Prof María Biezma
Prof Regine Eckardt
Prof George Walkden

... and many more!

Infrastructure & Facilities

- Phonetics Lab
- Baby Speech Lab
- EEG Lab
- Portable EEG set
- Eye-link eye-tracking
- Portable Tobii eye-tracker
- Psycholinguistics Lab
- Computational linguistics Lab



Centre for Multilingualism

- Conducts **research** in Multilingualism
- Is part of large scale **European Projects** (AThEME, MultiMind)
- **Communicates** findings to government and organisations
- **Advises families** and the general public about how to raise multilingual children
- Is part of the **Bilingualism Matters** network

Zentrum für Mehrsprachigkeit



Über uns News & Events AThEME Mehrsprachigkeit in der Schule Mehrsprachigkeit in Kita und Grundschule

Herzlich willkommen beim Zentrum für Mehrsprachigkeit

Das Zentrum für Mehrsprachigkeit ist der erste deutsche Zweig des internationalen Netzwerkes „Bilingualism Matters“. 2014 wurde es auf Initiative der Sprachwissenschaftlerinnen Prof. Dr. Janet Grijzenhout und Dr. Tanja Rinker im Zukunftscolleg der Universität Konstanz gegründet. Die beiden Hauptziele sind, Mehrsprachigkeit interdisziplinär zu beforschen und die Ergebnisse in die universitäre Lehre, die Weiterbildung und in die Beratung von Bildungsinstitutionen und Familien zu transferieren.

<https://www.mehrsprachigkeit.uni-konstanz.de/>

Career Opportunities

The programme is highly **research-oriented** and graduates may continue with a **PhD-programme** in Linguistics or another related discipline.

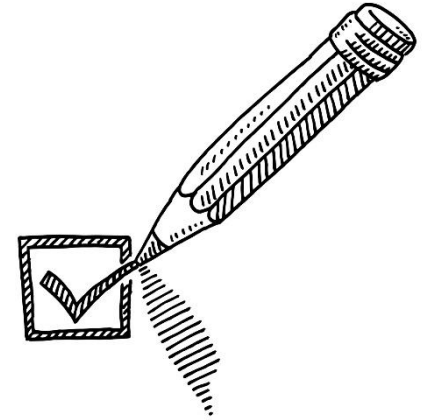
Practical skills acquired in the programme are applicable to professions in:

- Educational settings (e.g., consultant in kindergarten, school)
- Administrative public institutions (e.g., ministry of education)
- International cultural institutions
- International associations, organisations, and global enterprises which operate in a multicultural environment

Application requirements

Application documents:

- Online application form
- BA Certificate in Linguistics
(or equivalent qualification)
 - Minimum equivalent to German grade 2.5
- B2 English

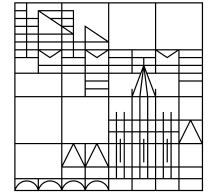


Application Deadlines:

- 15 June for Winter Semester
- 15 January for Summer Semester

Student voices





Thank you
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