After graduation from the MA Multilingualism

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

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

– Educational institutions
– Administrative public institutions
– International cultural institutions
– International associations, organisations, and global enterprises which operate in a multicultural environment

Application Deadlines:
– 15 June
  starting in October
– 15 January
  starting in April

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Master of Arts Multilingualism

Study Multilingualism
– in a multilingual environment
Study Multilingualism in Konstanz

Someone who ‘[…]uses more than one language regularly and is able to converse in all of one’s languages’ is considered multilingual (Rosemarie Tracy, University of Mannheim)

As globalization and migration increase, so does the diversity of our societies. This diversity raises the importance of multilingualism in research and education. The MA programme in multilingualism has two main components that address diversity issues:

**Multilingualism and the individual**
- Language acquisition
- Early childhood multilingualism
- Second language acquisition in children and adults
- Third language acquisition
- Acquisition of heritage languages

**Aspects of multilingualism in society**
- Language contact
- Language loss
- Language dominance
- Language influence
- Language change in European and non-European languages

The programme offers
- An experimental focus with access to linguistic research laboratories
- Insight into current research methods
- Possibility for own research
- Education in research methods, data management, visualisation, statistics
- Multilingual teaching
- Interdisciplinary programmes with sociology, psychology and other disciplines
- Language of instruction: English

**Degree structure**

The MA Multilingualism is designed as a 2-year programme (4 semesters), with a workload of 120 ECTS-points.

Semesters 1 and 2 are spent in Konstanz, focussing on recent findings in multilingualism research, including L2 and L3 acquisition as well as bilingualism, research methods and statistics. For semester 3, students can choose between a stay abroad, studying multilingualism at one of our partner institutions or undertaking an internship with a company / institution / research group relevant to the degree. In semester 4 students write their Master thesis and take their oral examination.

**Preliminary semester schedule**

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