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- There is a total of 120 ECTS required in the BA Major curriculum; of these, 85 ECTS must be graded.
- The Language Module and Core Curriculum must be completed and passed before moving on to Specialisations and Extensions courses (except elective courses/*Wahlbereich*).
- The Advanced Readings in Linguistics and Literature exam has to be completed and passed before the final registration for the BA Thesis.
- The Focus Module (in the Focussing Phase) comprises both an ungraded lecture and a graded seminar (corrected May 2024).
- The lectures Earlier Englishes and Literary History address central aspects of cultural sustainability (also known as the fourth pillar of sustainability). Moreover, they participate in the discussion of the global standards of sustainability as defined by the UN General Assembly.
- Optional credits (Extensions) have to be acquired either in any of the courses on offer within the department or by independent work (the latter subject to approval), or outside of the department (elective courses/*Wahlbereich*, graded).
- **Combination rules:** Modules generally have to be completed within one academic year, Focus Modules within one semester. In exceptional cases (subject to approval), the Research Module can be done within three semesters.
- One of the lectures taken (either from Specialisations or Extensions) must be a lecture flagged as “pre-1800”. The pre-1800 lecture can include Focus Module lectures which are flagged as pre-1800: these are marked with a small *18* in the timetable.
- A maximum of two tutorials can be counted towards your degree.



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- There is a total of 60 ECTS required in the BA Minor 60 curriculum; of these, 46 ECTS must be graded.
- The Language Module and Core Curriculum must be completed and passed before moving on to Specialisation and Extension courses.
- The Focus Module (in the Focussing Phase) comprises both an ungraded lecture and a graded seminar (corrected May 2024).
- The lectures Earlier Englishes and Literary History address central aspects of cultural sustainability (also known as the fourth pillar of sustainability). Moreover, they participate in the discussion of the global standards of sustainability as defined by the UN General Assembly.
- Optional credits (Extensions) have to be acquired in any of the courses on offer within the department or by independent work (latter subject to approval).
- A maximum of two tutorials can be counted towards your degree.
- **Combination rules:** Modules generally have to be completed within one academic year, Focus Modules within one semester.

## BA MINOR in ENGLISH (30 ECTS)

TIMELINE	FOUNDATIONS	ECTS	EXTENSIONS	ECTS
Induction Phase	<b>Language Module</b>	<b>12</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Writing Skills I/II</b></li> <li>• <b>Grammar I/II</b></li> </ul>			
	<b>Reduced Core Curriculum</b>			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Intro to Literature (lecture)</b></li> <li>• <b>Intro to Language and Linguistics (lecture)</b></li> <li>• <b>Analysing Literature (seminar)</b></li> <li>• <b>Analysing Language (seminar)</b></li> </ul>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p><b>3</b></p> <p><b>4</b></p> <p><b>4</b></p>		
Focussing Phase			Optional ( <i>Wahlleistung</i> ) ungraded courses taken within the department: Workshops (no more than two of the same type), Seminars, Lectures, Independent Studies, Tutorials.	4
<b>TOTAL ECTS/ GRADED ECTS</b>		<b>26/26</b>		<b>4</b>
				<b>30/26</b>

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- There is a total of 30 ECTS required in the BA Minor 30 curriculum; of these, 26 ECTS must be graded.
- Optional credits (Extensions) have to be acquired in any of the courses on offer within the department or by independent work (latter subject to approval).
- A maximum of two tutorials can be counted towards your degree.
- **Combination rules:** The Language Module has to be completed within one year.

## Additional notes on course types (BA)

Type of course	Credits	Description	Evaluation	Grade
<b>Core Curriculum BA Major 120 ECTS and BA Minor 60 ECTS</b>	20	4 Lectures (2 Lang. and Ling./2 Lit) + 2 Seminars (1 Lang. and Ling./1 Lit); Induction Phase, obligatory	Written exams or other assessment	Yes (except LitHist)
<b>Reduced Core Curriculum BA Minor 30 ECTS</b>	14	2 Lectures (1 Lang. and Ling./1 Lit) + 2 Seminars (1 Lang. and Ling./1 Lit.); Induction Phase, obligatory	Written exam	Yes
<b>Language Module</b>	12	1 basic and 1 advanced course in Grammar and Writing Skills respectively; Induction Phase, obligatory	Regular coursework, written assignments/exams	Yes
<b>Advanced Readings in Linguistics and Literature</b>	3	Study of a corpus of texts in literature, and language and linguistics	Test	No
<b>Focus Module</b>	10	Thematic lecture (3 ECTS) + connected seminar (7 ECTS); FM Lectures and Seminars can also be taken as a single Lecture/Seminar; Focussing Phase	Lecture test + seminar paper (4'000 words) or equivalent assignments	Yes
<b>Lecture</b>	3	Lecture; Focussing Phase	At instructor's discretion	No
<b>Seminar (non-CC)</b>	7/4	Seminar; Focussing Phase	At instructor's discretion	Yes/No
<b>Workshop</b>	3	Application-oriented workshop; Extensions, optional courses	At instructor's discretion	No
<b>Independent Studies</b>	2-5	E.g. conference attendance, excursion, organization of an event (conference, author's reading, reading group, etc.), archive work, linguistic fieldwork, reading list, participation in a drama group, etc.; Extensions <b>Subject to approval</b> (by a member of the teaching staff); ECTS vary according to workload	At instructor's discretion	No
<b>Tutorial</b>	1 (max. 2)	Regular attendance of a tutorial attached to a lecture or seminar; Extensions	At instructor's discretion	No
<b>Stay abroad</b>	10 (major)/ 5-10 (minor)	Study-relevant stay abroad in an English-speaking country (12 weeks for minors, 24 weeks for majors). <b>Subject to approval</b> (Stay Abroad Coordinator)	Report	No
<b>BA Colloquium</b>	4	Two-semester BA Colloquium for the presentation and discussion of BA thesis	Participation/ Presentation	No
<b>BA Thesis</b>	10	BA thesis (15,000 words)	Written Thesis	Yes

## Anhang 2

### MA MAJOR in ENGLISH (90 ECTS)

TIMELINE	FOUNDATIONS	ECTS	SPECIALISATIONS	ECTS	EXTENSIONS	ECTS
Induction Phase	Foundation Lecture Literary Theory	4			Optional ( <i>Wahlleistung</i> ) ungraded courses taken within the department: Workshops (no more than two of the same type), Seminars, Lectures, Independent, Studies, Tutorials.	14
	Foundation Lecture Language and Society	4				
Focussing Phase			Lecture	3		
			Seminar I	7		
			Seminar II	7		
			Seminar III	7		
			Seminar IV	7		
			3 Guest Lecture Attendances	1		
Completion Phase			<b>Research Module</b>			
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MA Colloquium (3 semesters)</li> <li>MA Thesis (30,000-40,000 words)</li> </ul>	6 30		
<b>TOTAL ECTS/ GRADED ECTS</b>		<b>8/8</b>		<b>68/58</b>		<b>14/14</b>
						<b>90/66</b>

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- There is a total of 90 ECTS required in the MA Major curriculum; of these, 66 ECTS must be graded. The two Foundation Lectures must be passed.
- MA specialisation: the MA Colloquium, at least 3 graded seminars and the Master Thesis have to be taken within the chosen specialisation in the Major.
- Major/Minor combination: Students doing Major and Minor must technically complete three foundation lectures, but there are only two. The third must be replaced with a free-standing lecture in the student's Major specialisation. Students also need to obtain an additional 1 ECTS from Extensions.
- MA Major students have to do 3 semesters of the MA Colloquium. They can choose in which semesters of their studies they attend the MA Colloquium, but one of those semesters must be the one in which they have registered for their MA Thesis.
- **Combination rules:** Majors have to acquire 14-18 ECTS in the other specialisation.
- In the course of their studies, Majors get 7 grades (2 Foundation Lectures, 4 Seminars, MA Thesis).
- Students from outside Bern with no equivalent are required to take the lecture "Earlier Englishes" as the ungraded Lecture.



## MA MINOR in ENGLISH (30 ECTS)

TIMELINE	FOUNDATIONS	ECTS	SPECIALISATIONS	ECTS	EXTENSIONS	ECTS
Induction Phase	<b>Foundation Lecture (Literary Theory or Language and Society)</b>	<b>4</b>			Optional (Wahlleistung) ungraded courses taken within the department: Workshops (no more than two of the same type), Seminars, Lectures, Independent Studies, Tutorials.	9
Focussing Phase			<b>Lecture I</b> <b>Lecture II</b> <b>Lecture III</b> <b>Seminar</b> 3 Guest Lecture Attendances	<b>3</b> <b>3</b> <b>3</b> <b>7</b> 1		
<i>TOTAL ECTS/</i> <b>GRADED ECTS</b>		<i>4/4</i>		<i>17/16</i>		<i>9/9</i>
						<b>30/20</b>

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- There is a total of 30 ECTS required in the MA Minor curriculum; of these, 20 ECTS must be graded.
- Minors typically take all their graded courses in their chosen specialisation.
- Combination rule: Minors can acquire a maximum of 9 ECTS in the other specialisation.
- In the course of their studies, Minors get 5 grades (1 Foundation Lecture, 1 Seminar, 3 Lectures).

## Additional notes on course types (MA)

Type of course	Credits	Description	Evaluation	Grade
<b>Foundation Lectures Literary Theory/ Language and Society</b>	4	Obligatory lectures	Written exams or other assessment	Yes
<b>Lecture</b>	3	Lecture; Focussing Phase	At instructor's discretion	Yes/No
<b>Seminar</b>	7/4	Seminar graded/ungraded; Focussing Phase	At instructor's discretion	Yes/No
<b>Guest Lecture Attendance</b>	1	Attendance of three guest lectures, including certificate of attendance; Focussing Phase	At instructor's discretion	No
<b>Workshop</b>	3	Application-oriented workshop; Extensions	At instructor's discretion	No
<b>Independent Studies</b>	1-5	E.g. conference attendance, excursion, organization of an event (conference, author's reading, reading group, etc.), archive work, linguistic fieldwork, reading list, participation in a drama group, etc.; Extensions <b>Subject to approval</b> (by a member of the teaching staff); ECTS vary according to workload	At instructor's discretion	No
<b>Tutorial</b>	1 (max. 1)	Regular attendance of a tutorial attached to a lecture or seminar; Extensions	At instructor's discretion	No
<b>MA Colloquium</b>	6	Three-semester MA Colloquium for the presentation and discussion of MA Thesis	Participation/ Presentation	No
<b>MA Thesis</b>	30	MA Thesis (30,000-40,000 words)	Written Thesis	Yes