

6.0 credits	30.0 h	This biannual course is taught on years 2010-2011, 2012-2013, ...

Teacher(s) :	
Language :	Français
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Prerequisites :	None.
Main themes :	An initiation into the linguistic system of the Aramaic dialects, especially those of the Persian Empire. Alternately with LGLOR1642A, this course is given to two students in Theology and in Biblical Studies. The first term is devoted to Syriac, the second to Aramaic. It corresponds to levels I.1 and I.2 of the Aramaic part of the course LGLOR1641. The course deals with writing, the linguistic system, the morphological and syntactical structures, as well as a first approach to simple texts. It continues with the reading and translation of simple vocalised texts, using the bases already acquired.
Aims :	At the end of this course, the student will be capable of reading and translating, with the aid of the basic tools, texts in Aramaic of elementary difficulty. <i>The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".</i>
Evaluation methods :	Continuous evaluation, with an oral exam at the end of the year consisting of the translation of a set text or one already seen in class with justification of grammar points.
Teaching methods :	The course takes the form of seminars: the students must prepare the texts, and their preparation is discussed and improved in class.
Content :	The Aramaic language belongs to the Western group of Semitic languages. It gave rise between 8th century B.C and the begin of our era to a vast field of varied literature located in the the Syro-Mesopotamian area. Aramaic, whose use is attested as from the first millennium B.C, rapidly gave rise to a range of dialects: Old Aramaic known from inscriptions, Imperial Aramaic (biblical texts and the papyri from Elephantine) and the Aramaic of the Targums. - Level 1.1 study of biblical texts (passages from the Book of Daniel and of Esdras). - Level 1.2 study of extracts of the Targums.
Bibliography :	- Biblia Hebraica Stuttgartensia; - Fr. Rosenthal, A Grammar of Biblical Aramaic; - M. Jastrow, A Dictionary of the Targumin etc. ; - G. Dalman, Grammatik des jüdisch-palästinischen Aramäisch (especially for its tables).
Other infos :	/
Cycle and year of study :	> Certificat universitaire en études bibliques > Master [120] in Biblical Studies > Master [120] in Theology
Faculty or entity in charge:	GLOR