

5.0 credits	30.0 h	1+2q	This biannual course is taught on years 2010-2011, 2012-2013, ...

Teacher(s) :	
Language :	Français
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Prerequisites :	A good knowledge of Sanskrit is recommended.
Main themes :	<p>An introduction to the Old Persian language and texts.</p> <p>This course is devoted to the linguistic and philological study of Old Persian, by examining:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The place of Iranian within in the Indo-European language family; 2. The place of Old Persian within the Iranian branch; 3. Writing system, phonetics, and morphology (word derivation and inflection); 4. The syntax structures are studied while reading texts.
Aims :	<p>At the end of this course, the student will be capable of reading and interpreting for himself Achaemenid inscriptions in Old Persian. In order to do this, he will have acquired the bases of the Old Persian grammar and lexicon</p> <p><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></p>
Evaluation methods :	Oral exam
Teaching methods :	The course combines both lectures given over to grammar and philological studies of texts, with seminars devoted to reading and textual analysis prepared by the students.
Content :	A representation of Iranian in its former state, Old Persian is attested in inscriptions in cuneiform texts, dating from between the sixth and fourth centuries BC. The formal lectures cover the descriptive grammar as well as outlining historical grammar. The course ends with the reading of inscriptions.
Bibliography :	<p>A syllabus will be provided to students.</p> <p>Reference works :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - W. Brandenstein & mp; M. Mayrhofer, Handbuch des Altpersischen, Wiesbaden, Harrassowitz, 1964. - R.G. Kent, Old Persian : Grammar, Texts, lexicon, New Haven, American Oriental Society, 1953 (2). - P.O. Skjaervø, An Introduction to Old Persian, version électronique, Harvard, 2002 (2) http://www.fas.harvard.edu/~iranian/OldPersian/opcomplete.pdf. - R. Schmitt, Die altpersischen Inschriften der Achaimeniden. Editio minor mit deutschen Übersetzung, Wiesbaden, Reichert, 2009. - P. Lecoq, Les inscriptions de la Perse achéménide, Paris, Gallimard, 1997.
Other infos :	/
Cycle and year of study :	<p>> Master [120] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies</p> <p>> Master [60] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies</p>
Faculty or entity in charge:	GLOR