

20 credits

Q1 and Q2

Language :	French
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Prerequisites	/ <p><i>The prerequisite(s) for this Teaching Unit (Unité d'enseignement – UE) for the programmes/courses that offer this Teaching Unit are specified at the end of this sheet.</i></p>
Main themes	The masters dissertation, irrespective of the subject, allows a student to : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • carry out a critical analysis and summarise a given scientific topic; • put a specific issue/statement in context drawing on existing information; • present the results of the dissertation by justifying the methodological choices, explaining the hypotheses and scientifically stating the results obtained.
Aims	The dissertation must demonstrate the author's ability to describe correctly the results of a personal, objective and methodical work. The length of the dissertation is not a criteria in evaluating its quality. Similar to the other forms of learning, the dissertation is an essential component of the programme to which it belongs. It consists of research work which students should consider as a first step in research in their particular field. <p>1 The dissertation is a research work :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • specific, as regards the other teaching activities ; • methodical, the underlying methodology has already been acquired in the bachelor and masters programme ; • integrated in the programme and limited to the scope of the subject. Guidelines regarding the dissertation can be found on http://www.uclouvain.be/61093.html <p>-----</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	The evaluation of the dissertation is based on : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the achievement of the objectives; • the ability to present a relevant and well documented summary; • significant personal input by the student as well as the ability to justify the methodological choices; • the coherence and completeness of the work; • the quality and relevance of the written work.
Teaching methods	/
Content	The dissertation must present the results of a personal and critical study as well as the scientific methodology used to obtain these results. The scientific and bibliographical conventions of a dissertation must be respected.
Bibliography	/
Other infos	The student must write his masters dissertation in one of the two languages in his programme and add a summary in French. <p>The dissertation (length at least 20.000 words, without the appendix) is overseen by a supervisor. A co-supervisor may be chosen if the subject of the dissertation necessitates it or at the request of the student or supervisor. The dissertation committee is made up of the supervisor and a reader.</p> <p>Besides the three copies, the student will send the PDF-file of his/her dissertation to the secrétariat MULT.</p>
Faculty or entity in charge	MULT

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)				
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Aims
Master [120] in Multilingual Communication	MULT2M	20	LMULT2997	