



Languages and Cultural
Environment

Faculty of Translation Studies
Master's study programme

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Study Programme Description

Name of the study programme in English	Languages and Cultural Environment
Name of the study programme in Latvian	Valodas un kultūrvide
Level of the study programme	Master's Degree
Study time	2 years (4 semesters)
KP	80 (120 ECTS)
Type of the study programme	Full time studies
Education requirement	General secondary or vocational education
International tests and entrance examinations	Exam in English ¹
Tuition fee	2270 EUR per year ²
State funded places	Available ³

¹ if the applicant has not passed English language test of an international testing institution

²The tuition fee may be paid in two equal instalments, except for the first study year, which requires the tuition fee to be paid in full.

³ Only available to Applicants who are citizens of EU/EEA countries.

Study-aim

To provide students with in-depth theoretical knowledge and to develop their research skills and abilities. To ensure training of competitive specialists for the national and international labour markets. To ensure training of specialists who will work for private economic entities in Latvia, in other EU member states and in countries outside the EU. To provide studies tailored to economic, cultural, and social needs. To provide academic master's studies which correspond to standards of academic education and are based on theoretical scientific foundations.

Study-Tasks

- To provide students with a set of theoretical knowledge and skills on matters regarding the selected language, culture, and intercultural communication as well as other fields that will allow students to successfully compete and adapt as quickly as possible to the work environment upon graduation, thus successfully adapting to work for administrative institutions in Latvia, the European Union, and other countries.
- To prepare students for further studies in doctoral study programmes in Latvia (including Ventspils University College's and Liepāja University's collaborative Linguistics doctoral study programme) and abroad by providing advanced research skills provided via courses on research methodology.
- To promote graduates' competitiveness on the international labour market.

- To ensure the quality of education on the basis of the external quality assurance system of Latvia and on the internal quality assurance system of Ventspils University College by improving the methodological, scientific, material and technical support of the study process, increasing the qualifications of lecturers, and promoting cooperation with other Latvian and foreign higher education institutions.
- To ensure the use of students' skills and abilities by analysing issues and cases and solving practical assignments.
- To improve students' abilities to continuously develop their academic knowledge.
- To modify the content and teaching methods of the program in a timely manner in response to changes in the labour market and to accurately predict future changes.

Study programme content

No.	Title in English	Title in Latvian	ECTS
Compulsory Module		Obligātā daļa	96
1	Theories and Models of Intercultural Communication	Starpkultūru komunikācijas teorijas un modeļi	3
2	Linguistic Research in Interdisciplinary Aspect	Valodniecības pētījumi starpdisciplinārā aspektā	3
3	Latvian Language: Editing of Media Texts	Latviešu valoda: mediju tekstu rediģēšana	3
4	Methology of Interdisciplinary Research	Starpdisciplināro pētījumu metodoloģija	3
5	Corpus Analysis of E-media Language	Mediju valodas analīzes korpuslingvistiskais aspekts	3
6	Chinese Language Contrasts I	Ķīniešu valodas kontrasti I	3
7	Chinese Society, Culture and Traditions	Ķīnas sabiedrība, kultūra un tradīcijas	3
8	Culture History in Digital Word	Kultūras vēsture digitālajā pasaulē	12
9	Latvian Language: Text Editing Methology	Latviešu valoda: tekstu rediģēšanas metodoloģija	3
10	Chinese Language Contrasts II	Ķīniešu valodas kontrasti II	6
11	Chinese Language III	Ķīniešu valoda III	6
12	Trends of English Language Development III	Angļu valodas attīstības tendences III	3
13	Technologies in Language and Intercultural Communication	Tehnoloģijas valodu un starpkultūru komunikācijā	6
14	Intercultural Aspects of E-Marketing	E-Mārketinga starpkultūru aspekti	3
15	Linguistic Culture Analysis	Lingvistiskā kultūranalīze	3
16	Role of Translation in Communication Historically and Nowadays	Tulkojuma loma saziņā senatnē un mūsdienās	3
17	Mater's Paper	Maģistra darbs	30
Optional Module		Izvēles daļa	39
18	Russian Language of Mass Media I	Krievu valoda plašsaziņas medijos I	6
19	English Language and Meaning I	Angļu valoda un nozīme I	6
20	Course of a Free Choice I	Brīvās izvēles kurss I	3
21	Russian Language of Mass Media II	Krievu valoda plašsaziņas medijos II	6
22	English Language and Meaning II	Angļu valoda un nozīme II	6
23	Course of a Free Choice II	Brīvās izvēles kurss II	3

24	Russian Language of Mass Media II	Krievu valoda plašsaziņas medijos III	3
25	E-Media	E – Mediji	3
26	Course of a Free Choice III	Brīvās izvēles kurss III	3
Total			135

How to apply

The candidate must complete the online application form <http://application.venta.lv/> and attach the following documents:

- **Documents of Secondary or Higher education.** The average grade should be at least 60%. Original documents in English, German, French or Russian may be submitted. All other languages must be translated into English. Translations need to be notary attested and certified.
- **IELTS (6.0 and over), TOEFL (PBT) 550 or (IBT) 70, London Language Test or Longman Language Test.** If the candidate has not passed an international English language test, the candidate ought to pass VUAS online English language test (achieving at least 60%) free of charge.
- **Curriculum Vitae** (resume);
- **A copy of the applicant's passport** (including a note "Submitted for use by Ventspils University of Applied Sciences", date and time);
- **One photo** 3 cm x 4 cm (JPEG format, not as a PDF)

Upon completing the online application form, the candidate should send a confirmation email to international@venta.lv before the application deadlines and confirm his/her willingness to pursue studies at Ventspils University of Applied Sciences.

More information: <https://venta.lv/en/>


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