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Postgraduate Modules Online

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MA TRANSLATION STUDIES (R9K107)

- 1. Location: Durham City.
- 2. Duration: full-time (12 months), part-time (24 months)

Admissions

- 3. Admissions criteria:
 - a. Applicants must have: an upper-second class degree or equivalent in a relevant subject, such as language, literature or linguistics. In any event, students must possess good ability in both the selected foreign language (Chinese, Dutch, French, German, Italian, Russian, Spanish, or Turkish) and English.
- 4. English language requirements:
 - a. A minimum IELTS score of 7.0 (at least for the Written component), TOEFL (paper based) 600 with 4.5 in the Test of Written English (TWE); TOEFL (computer based) 250 with an essay rating of 4.5 are expected from students whose first language is not English.

Programme structure

5. Candidates shall study and be assessed in the following modules:

| | | Credit value |
|--------------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Research Methods and Resources | MELA53830 | 30 |
| Translation Theory | MELA40430 | 30 |

6. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 30 credits from List A:

| List A: | | Credit value |
|--|-----------|--------------|
| Specialised Translation Chinese<>English | MELA41730 | 30 |
| Specialised Translation French<>English | MELA41830 | 30 |
| Specialised Translation German<>English | MELA41930 | 30 |
| Specialised Translation Italian<>English | MELA42030 | 30 |
| Specialised Translation Russian<>English | MELA42130 | 30 |
| Specialised Translation Spanish<>English | MELA42230 | 30 |
| Specialised Translation Dutch<>English | MELA42730 | 30 |
| Specialised Translation Turkish<>English | MELA42830 | 30 |
| Specialised BSL Translation | MELA43130 | 30 |
| Specialised BSL Interpreting | MELA42930 | 30 |

7. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 30 credits from List B:

| List B: | | Credit value |
|----------------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| A further 30 credits from List A | | 30 |
| Translation and Technology | MELA41630 | 30 |
| Online Translation Resources | MELA43215 | 15 |
| Translation Memories | MELA43515 | 15 |
| Translation Ethics | MELA43315 | 15 |
| Translation Work Placement | MELA43415 | 15 |

8. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 60 credits from List C:

| List C: | | Credit value |
|---|-----------|--------------|
| Translation Studies Dissertation | MELA40160 | 60 |
| BSL Translation/Interpreting Studies Dissertation | MELA40860 | 60 |



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| Extended Translation Project | MELA40260 | 60 |
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| Translation Project <> First Language | MELA41430 | 30 |
| Translation Project <> Second Language | MELA41530 | 30 |

Assessment, progression and award

- 9. To be eligible for the award of MA with Distinction, candidates must achieve an overall average mark of at least 70% across all modules taken and an average of at least 70% across the 60 credits taken from **List C**.
- 10. In accordance with the core regulations, students may exit the programme with a lower award subject to the following conditions:
 - a. Postgraduate Certificate in Translation Studies (60 Credits): candidates must obtain a Pass mark or above in Translation Theory (MELA40430) and modules to the value of 30 credits from **List A**.
 - b. Postgraduate Diploma in Translation Studies (120 Credits): candidates must obtain a Pass mark or above in Translation Theory (MELA40430), modules to the value of 30 credits from **List A**, and module to the value of 60 credits from **List C**: