

These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's [core regulations for undergraduate programmes](#), and the [marking and classification conventions for undergraduate programmes](#).

BA MODERN LANGUAGES AND CULTURES (WITH YEAR ABROAD) (R002)

1. This programme is available at Durham City, in full-time and part-time modes of study.
2. Candidates studying the programme on a part-time basis must take at least one *core* module during their first year of study at each Level.
3. Provision of modules in Catalan is subject to continued external funding.
4. No more than three languages (including Catalan and Persian) may be studied in any one year.

Level 1 (Certificate)

5. Candidates shall study and be assessed in either:
 - a. Modules to the value of 80 credits taken from one of **Lists A-F** and modules to the value of 40 credits from another of **Lists A-G**.
OR,
 - b. Modules to the value of 60 credits taken from one of **Lists A-F** and modules to the value of 60 credits from another of **Lists A-F**.
OR,
 - c. Modules to the value of 40 credits taken from one of **Lists A-F**, modules to the value of 40 credits from another of **Lists A-F**, and modules to the value of 40 credits from another of **Lists A-F**. *Only full-time students may choose this option.*
6. Part-time candidates must select at least one core module during their first year of study at Level 1 and may study no more than two languages.
7. Candidates must study at least one of their post-A level (or equivalent) languages and may also select from no more than one Beginners Route (**Lists A, C1, D1, E1 or F1**) at Level 1.

List A: Arabic (Beginner Route)

Candidates choosing modules from **List A** must take 40 credits from **List A1** and up to 40 credits from **List A2**.

		Credit value
List A1: Core Modules		
Arabic Language 1B #		ARAB1012 40
List A2: Optional Modules		
Introduction to Middle Eastern Cultures		ARAB1021 20
Introduction to Middle East Politics		SGIA1061 20

List B: French (Advanced Route)

Candidates choosing modules from **List B** must take 20 credits from **List B1** and between 20 and 60 credits from **List B2**.

List B1: Core Modules			
French Language 1 #		FREN1011	20
List B2: Optional Modules			
Reading French Literature		FREN1031	20
Society and its Outsiders in Modern France		FREN1041	20

The Invention of France	FREN1061	20
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List C: German

- a. Candidates choosing modules from **List C2** must take between 20 and 60 credits from **List C4**.
- b. Candidates choosing modules from **List C1** may take 20 credits from **List C3**

List C1: Core Modules (Beginner Route)

German Language 1B #	GERM1112	40
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List C2: Core Modules (Advanced Route)

German Language 1A #	GERM1011	20
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List C3: Optional Modules

Picturing the Past of the German-Speaking Countries	GERM1101	20
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List C4: Optional Modules

Reading German Culture	GERM1091	20
Identity and Politics in the German-Speaking Countries	GERM1081	20
Picturing the Past of the German-Speaking Countries	GERM1101	20

List D: Italian

- a. Candidates choosing modules from **List D2** must take between 20 and 60 credits from **List D3**.
- b. Candidates choosing modules from **List D1** may take 20 credits from **List D3**

List D1: Core Modules (Beginner Route)

Italian Language 1B #	ITAL1102	40
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List D2: Core Modules (Advanced Route)

Italian Language 1A #	ITAL1071	20
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List D3: Optional Modules

Understanding Italy from 1960 to Today *	ITAL1061	20
Italy and the Arts	ITAL1081	20
Introduction to Italian Literary Culture and Theory	ITAL1091	20

List E: Russian

- a. Candidates choosing modules from **List E2** must take between 20 and 40 credits from **List E3**
- b. Candidates choosing modules from **List E1** may take between 20 and 40 Credits from **List E3**

List E1: Core Modules (Beginner Route)

Russian Language 1B #	RUSS1042	40
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List E2: Core Modules (Advanced Route)

Russian Language 1A #	RUSS1161	20
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List E3: Optional Modules

Introduction to Russian History and Culture	RUSS1151	20
Understanding Russian: Arts and Ideology	RUSS1171	20

List F: Hispanic Studies

- a. Candidates choosing modules from **List F2** must take between 20 and 60 Credits from **List F4**
- b. Candidates choosing modules from **List F1** may take 20 Credits from **List F3**

List F1: Core Modules (Beginner Route)		
Spanish Language 1B #	SPAN1072	40

List F2: Core Modules (Advanced Route)		
Spanish Language 1A #	SPAN1011	20

List F3: Optional Modules		
Introduction to Hispanic Literature and Culture (ab initio)	SPAN1171	20

List F4: Optional Modules		
Conflict and Violence in the Spanish Speaking World	SPAN1131	20
Introduction to Hispanic Literature and Culture (post-A level)	SPAN1161	20
Identity in the Spanish Speaking World	SPAN1141	20

List G:		
Modules to the value of 40 credits taken from another Board of Studies subject to availability		40

Level 2 (Diploma)

8. Candidates shall study and be assessed in either:
 - a. Modules to the value of 80 credits taken from one of **Lists H-M** and modules to the value of 40 credits from one of **Lists G-M**. This may also include one Level 1 module (in place of one Level 2 module) from a relevant language list.

OR,

 - b. Modules to the value of 60 credits taken from one of **Lists H-M** and modules to the value of 60 credits from another of **Lists H-M**. This may also include one Level 1 module (in place of one Level 2 module) from a relevant language list.
9. Part-time candidates must select at least one core module during their first year of study at Level 210. In accordance with the core regulations, candidates may take no more than 30 credits of Level 1 modules during Level 2
11. Where candidates select modules which are delivered in either Term 1 or Terms 2-3 only (**Lists H3, K4**), the number of modules taken in each term should be equal, or be different by no more than one (e.g. a candidate may take two modules delivered in Term 1 and two modules delivered in Terms 2-3, or two modules delivered in Term 1 and one module delivered in Terms 2-3, but may not take one module delivered in Term 1 and three modules delivered in Terms 2-3).

List H: Arabic (Beginner Route)

Candidates choosing modules from **List H** must take 40 credits from **List H1** and up to 40 credits from **List H2** and **List H3**

	Credit value
List H1: Core Modules	40

Arabic Language 2B #	ARAB2002	
Arabic Literature	ARAB2011	20
Persian I @	ARAB2041	20

List H3: Optional Modules (Term 2/3 only)		
Middle Eastern Cinema	ARAB2051	20

List I: French (Advanced Route)

Candidates choosing modules from **List I** must take 20 credits from **List I1** and between 20 and 60 credits from **List I2**

		Credit value
List I1: Core Modules		
French Language 2#	FREN2051	20
List I2: Optional Modules		
Modernity and Disenchantment: 19 th and 20 th Century French Literature and Culture	FREN2011	20
Love and Longing in French Literature of the Ancient Regime	FREN2021	20
Sex, Gender and Identity in the Middle Ages and the Renaissance	FREN2031	20
Introduction to Francophone Literature and Culture	FREN2061	20
French Syntax and Vocabulary*	FREN2081	20
Revolutionary Works in French Politics	FREN2091	20
List J: German		
a. Candidates choosing modules from List J2 must take between 20 and 60 credits from List J4 .		
b. Candidates choosing modules from List J1 must choose between 20 and 40 credits from List J3		
		Credit value
List J1: Core Modules (Beginner Route)		
German Language 2B #	GERM2152	40
List J2: Core Modules (Advanced Route)		
German Language 2A #	GERM2021	20
List J3: Optional Modules		
Sex and Identity in German Cultures	GERM2121	20
Heroes and Myths of German History	GERM2131	20
Violence in German Literature, Film and Visual Art	GERM2141	20
List J4: Optional Modules		
Translation	GERM2091	20
Sex and Identity in German Cultures	GERM2121	20
Heroes and Myths of German History	GERM2131	20
Violence in German Literature, Film and Visual Art	GERM2141	20
List K: Italian		
a. Candidates choosing modules from List K2 must take between 20 and 60 Credits from List K3 and List K4		
b. Candidates choosing modules from List K1 must take between 20 and 60 Credits from List K3 and List K4		
		Credit value
List K1: Core Modules (Beginner Route)		
Italian Language 2B #	ITAL2031	20
List K2: Core Modules (Advanced Route)		
Italian Language 2A #	ITAL2111	20
List K3: Optional Modules		
The World of Dante	ITAL2041	20
Narratives of Fascist and Post War Italy	ITAL2061	20
Language, Literature and Culture of the Italian Renaissance	ITAL2131	20
The Languages of Italy*	ITAL2081	20
The Making of Modern Italy *	ITAL2121	20
List K4: Optional Modules (Term 2/3 only)		
Anatomy of Italian Culture	ITAL2071	20
List L: Russian		
a. Candidates choosing modules from List L2 must take between 20 and 60 Credits from List L3		

- b. Candidates choosing modules from **List L1** must take between 20 and 40 Credits from **List L3**

		Credit value
List L1: Core Modules (Beginner Route)		
Russian Language 2B #	RUSS2012	40
List L2: Core Modules (Advanced Route)		
Russian Language 2A #	RUSS2191	20
List L3: Optional Modules		
Reading Russian Literature	RUSS2231	20
St. Petersburg – Petrograd – Leningrad: Culture, Memory, Mythology	RUSS2261	20
Russian and Soviet Cinema	RUSS2241	20
Russia's Linguistic Journey Through Text and Patterns*	RUSS2271	20

List M: Hispanic Studies

- a. Candidates choosing modules from **List M2** must take between 20 and 60 Credits from **List M3**.
b. Candidates choosing modules from **List M1** must take between 20 and 60 Credits from **List M3**

		Credit value
List M1: Core Modules (Beginner Route)		
Spanish Language 2B #	SPAN2111	20
List M2: Core Modules (Advanced Route)		
Spanish Language 2A #	SPAN2011	20
List M3: Optional Modules		
Catalan (Beginners) @	SPAN2061	20
Latin American Texts	SPAN2071	20
Spanish Texts	SPAN2081	20
Icons and Myths of the Hispanic World	SPAN2151	20
Race and Gender in Latin American Cinema	SPAN2161	20
Love and Death in Spanish Texts*	SPAN2171	20

Year 3 (Year Abroad)

12. During their year abroad, full-time candidates intending to study only main one language in their final year are required to spend a period of residence of no less than 7 months in a country/countries speaking this language; student intending to study two main languages in their final year are required to spend a period of residence of no less than 4 months in each country/countries speaking these languages. Part-time candidates are required to spend at least 4 weeks in each country whose language they wish to study at Level 3. These 4 weeks may be spread over the duration of the programme.
13. During the course of their time abroad, students will complete a Target Language Research Project for each of the languages they intend to study at Level 3. The tasks will be submitted before the start of the Michaelmas Term of the candidate's final year of study. Part-time candidates will be assessed at the start of the year in which the Level 3 compulsory language module is taken. The TLRP is not credit-bearing, but will be graded by percentage on the candidate's degree transcript. Candidates who pass will proceed to the BA in Modern Languages with Year Abroad; those who fail will be transferred to the non-year abroad version of the programme.

Level 3 (Degree)

14. Candidates shall study and be assessed in either:
- Modules to the value of 120 credits taken from one of **Lists N-S**;
- OR,

- b. Modules to the value of 100 credits taken from one of **List N-S** and one 20 credit *optional* module taken from **Lists G, H2, I2, J2, K3 or L2**

OR,

- c. Modules to the value of 80 credits taken from one of **Lists N-S**, and modules to the value of 40 credits from another of **Lists H-S**.

OR,

- d. Modules to the value of 60 credits taken from one of **Lists N-S** and modules to the value of 60 credits from another of **Lists N-S**.

15. Candidates must select, in any given list, at least one *core* module, unless it is stated otherwise.

Candidates will normally be required to take the core module(s) for students *following year abroad* unless they have been exempted from the requirement to complete the year abroad in Year 3.

16. Part-time candidates must select at least one core module during their first year of study at Level 3.

17. Candidates must select no more than one dissertation module. Candidates taking a 20-credit dissertation must do core language plus at least one other module in that language; students taking the 40-credit dissertation must take core language plus at least one other modules in that language.

18. Candidates may not take any modules marked with the @ symbol at Level 3.

19. Candidates may take up to a total of two translation/interpreting modules, and only one of French or German Interpreting

20. Where candidates select modules which are delivered in either Term 1 or Terms 2-3 only (**Lists N3, O3-4, Q3-4, S3-4**), the number of modules taken in each term should be equal, or be different by no more than one (e.g. a candidate may take two modules delivered in Term 1 and two modules delivered in Terms 2-3, or two modules delivered in Term 1 and one module delivered in Terms 2-3, but may not take one module delivered in Term 1 and three modules delivered in Terms 2-3).

21. Candidates will be able to take no more than 30 credits of Level 2 modules during Level 3.

List N: Arabic

Candidates choosing modules from **List N** must take 40 credits from **List N1** and up to a further 80 credits from **List N2 – N3**:

List N1: Core Modules		Credit value
Arabic Language 4 ~	ARAB3012	40

List N2: Optional Modules

Specialised Translation*	ARAB3041	20
Trends in Modern Arabic Literature and Film*	ARAB3071	20
Literature of the 19 th Century Arabic 'Nahda'	ARAB3081	20
Dissertation in Modern Languages and Cultures	MELA3161	20
Extended Dissertation in Modern Languages and Cultures	MELA3152	40
Up to 40 credits of Level 2 modules in Arabic from List H		40

List N3: Optional Modules (Term 2/3 Only)

Arabic Linguistics and Dialectology	ARAB3061	20
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List O: French

Candidates choosing modules from **List O** must take 20 credits from **List O1** and between 20 and 100 credits from **List O2 – O4**:

List O1: Core Modules		Credit value
French Language 4 ~	FREN3041	20

List O2: Optional Modules

Contemporary French Writers: Autobiography and Fiction	FREN3221	20
Sexual Dissidence in French Literature *	FREN3291	20

Rebellion, Feud and Crusade in Medieval Texts	FREN3361	20
Libertinage in Ancien Regime France*	FREN3371	20
French Translation	FREN3051	20
French Interpreting	FREN3331	20
Evolution and the Human in French Culture*	FREN3401	20
Ethics and Violence in French Culture*	FREN3411	20
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Androgynes, Witches and Monsters in the French Renaissance	FREN3441	20
Genocide, Violence and Trauma in French and Francophone Culture*	FREN3451	20
Dissertation in Modern Languages and Cultures	MELA3161	20
Extended Dissertation in Modern Languages and Cultures	MELA3152	40
Up to 40 credits of Level 2 modules in French from List I		40

List O3: Optional Modules (Term 1 Only)

French Cinema 1930s to 1990s	FREN3271	20
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List O4: Optional Modules (Terms 2/3 only)

Fictions of History: Narrative, Film and Event in Renaissance FranceFin-de-Siècle: Symbolism and Decadence	FREN3431	20
	FREN3421	20

List P: German

[List P2](#) [P3](#)

List P1: Core Modules	Credit value
German Language 4 ~	GERM3071 20

List P2: Optional Modules

Remembering the Holocaust	GERM3151	20
Photography and Modernity in the Weimar Republic *	GERM3201	20
Life-Writing, Writing Lives: Biography and Literature	GERM3221	20
German Interpreting	GERM3041	20
Doing the Right Thing: Concepts of Justice in German Literature and Film*	GERM3241	20
Revolution and the Image*	GERM3261	20
Dissertation in Modern Languages and Cultures	MELA3161	20
Extended Dissertation in Modern Languages and Cultures	MELA3152	40
Up to 40 credits of Level 2 modules in German from List J		40

List P3: Optional Module (Term 1 Only)

Love and Death in Modern German Literature	GERM3181	20
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List Q: Italian

Candidates choosing modules from **List Q** must take 20 credits from **List Q1** and between 20 and 100 credits from **List Q2 – Q4:**

List Q1: Core Modules	Credit value
Italian Language 4 ~	ITAL3021 20

List Q2: Optional Modules

The Italian Renaissance in Literature and Art*	ITAL3071	20
Italian Translation*	ITAL3121	20
Science and Culture in Renaissance and Early Modern Italy	ITAL3161	20
Dissertation in Modern Languages and Cultures	MELA3161	20
Extended Dissertation in Modern Languages and Cultures	MELA3152	40

List Q3: Optional Modules (Term 1 Only)

From the Middle Ages to Modernity: the World of Petrarch	ITAL3151	20
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List Q4: Optional Modules (Term 2/3 Only)

Italian Cinema	ITAL3061	20
Writing the Modern Self	ITAL3171	20

List R: Russian

Candidates choosing modules from **List R** must take 20 credits from **List R1** and between 20 and 100 credits from **List R2 and List R3**:

List R1: Core Modules	Credit Value
Russian Language 4 ~	RUSS3031 20

List R2: Optional Modules

Russian for Professional Communication	RUSS3381 20
The Poet and the State	RUSS3371 20
Screening the Nation: Russian Cinema and the National Question	RUSS3411 20
Dissertation in Modern Languages and Cultures	MELA3161 20
Extended Dissertation in Modern Languages and Cultures	MELA3152 40
Up to 40 credits of Level 2 modules in Russian from List L	

List R3: Optional Modules (Term 2-3 Only)

The Making of the Russian Intelligentsia (1762 – 1917)	RUSS3391 20
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List S: Hispanic Studies

Candidates choosing modules from **List S** must take 20 credits from **List S1** and between 20 and 100 credits from **Lists S2, S3 and S4**:

List S1: Core Modules	Credit Value
Spanish Language 4 ~	SPAN3011 20

List S2: Optional Modules

Modern Spanish Literature	SPAN3041 20
Catalan [Advanced]	SPAN3211 20
Popular Culture in Latin American Literature	SPAN3231 20
Spanish Translation	SPAN3131 20
Languages in Contact in the Hispanic World	SPAN3291 20
Tilting at Windmills: Cervantes in Context*	SPAN3331 20
Dissertation in Modern Language and Cultures	MELA3161 20
Extended Dissertation in Modern Languages and Cultures	MELA3152 40

List S3: Optional Modules (Term 1 Only)

Epic and Chronicle: the Making of History in Early Medieval Spain	SPAN3221 20
Kino-Texts: Atlantic Avant-Garde and Visual Cultures	SPAN3321 20
Representing Women: Sex and Power in Colonial Latin America	SPAN3311 20

List S4: Optional Modules (Terms 2-3 Only)

Sex and Society in Spanish Literature to 1700*	SPAN3151 20
Contemporary Spanish Cinema	SPAN3181 20
Cultures of the Hispanic Caribbean: Texts and Theoretical Framework	SPAN3301 20

Progression, attainment and award

22. Modules marked with the * are not available in 2015-2016
23. Modules marked with a @ no more than three languages (including Catalan and Persian) may be studied in any one year
24. Modules marked with the # symbol must be passed at 40% or above to proceed to the Ordinary degree at the next level.
25. Modules marked with the ~ symbol must be passed at 40% or above. A mark of 30-39% cannot be compensated.