

# Master Languages and Societies **English Studies**

# **Teaching Objectives**

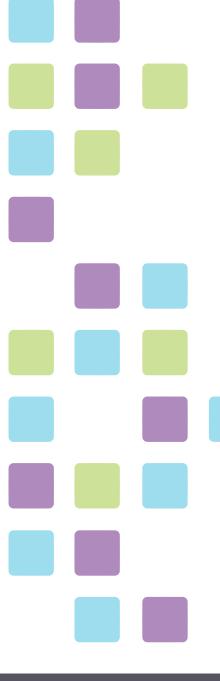
This master's degree, a new addition to the courses offered by the University of Le Havre in France, allows students to deepen their knowledge of the English-speaking world, improve their analytical and writing skills as well as their mastery of oral English. In terms of specialisations, the research themes on which the programme is based are those of the research laboratory GRIC (Research Group on Identities and Cultures): media studies (cinema, television series) and gender and identity studies (representation of women and minorities in the political, social and cultural sphere).

### **Knowledge and Skills**

This two-year programme is designed for students for whom the English-speaking world, its language and cultures, holds a special interest. Practically all of the courses take place in English and they are designed to develop the student's critical skills through research projects, extensive reading of primary and secondary sources, translation and analyses of texts, videos and images. In accordance with the student's chosen research area, he or she will participate in the TV-series Programme (a cutting-edge project which has been financed by the Region of Normandy since 2013), or in the conferences, seminars and workshops which contribute to making the university of Le Havre a unique intellectual and professional environment.

## **Further studies and Professional Opportunities**

Students who wish to pursue their studies beyond primary-degree level, or to progress in a career in education, translation, publishing, or cultural and artistic activities are invited to apply to the programme. In a globalised work-market, the skills developed in the programme are actively sought for by employers in a wide spectrum of professional areas (communication, public relations, international exchange, etc.) The programme is also geared to prepare students who wish to pursue doctoral studies and/or take the French qualifying examinations to enter the education sector.







#### ■ Teaching and Training Programme

Co-accredited with the University of Rouen, the two-year programme includes a variety of thematic seminars combining in different ways political, sociological, historical, cultural and artistic approaches. The Master's degree includes both theoretical and practical teaching modules.

Alongside the core-programme thematic seminars, students participate in methodology courses (linguistic skills, digital culture, professional insertion) as well as research seminars (five seminars in each of the two first-year semesters, three in each of the two second-year semesters).

The teaching programme is designed to hone the following skills: identifying pertinent sources of information as well as interpreting and comparing them; participation in group discussion as well taking the lead; mastery of a workload while respecting deadlines; the development of one's ideas and also the ability to confront them with alternative viewpoints; initiating proposals, new ideas and perspectives; analysis of documents and the identification of key points while recognising the complexity of different discursive texts; working independently as well as in a team; writing and presenting well-argued research which illustrates awareness of the complexity of the questions raised.

# ■ Evaluation Methods of acquired Skills

Depending on courses, the forms of evaluation comprise written exams, written and oral seminar papers (note that a first-stage oral examination is obligatory in the ongoing evaluation of the Master's dissertation).

The students then participate in an oral defence of their research work at the end of both the first and second year of their studies.

#### **■** Work Placements

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#### ■ Studying Abroad

In the second semester of the first year, the students choose between a work placement or participate in the organisation and running of research events such as conferences or workshops (this latter involves submission of a written report subject to evaluation).

#### Admissions Requirements and Selection Criteria

Candidates are required to prove three years of successful universitylevel education prior to enrolment. Candidates must have C1 level in English. Foreign students must be able to provide certificates proving their level of competency in French. When applying, please indicate whether you choose to follow the programme by class attendance or by distance-learning (and justify your choice). The number of distance-learning places is limited to 15. Interviews may be organized online). It may be possible for students to combine the two forms of participation (distance learning and class attendance).

#### **● Programme Organisers**

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#### **●** How to Apply

- The application form can be downloaded from the university website fai.univ-lehavre.fr
- The deadline for submissions is the end of July

#### **University Calendar**

- First Year of Master: from September to May
- Second Year of the Master: from September to May

#### **●** Further information

Consult the website of the Master's Programme

<u>languesetsocietesulh.wix.com/</u> <u>etudesanglophones</u>

• The website of the University www.univ-lehavre.fr

- Level: BAC+5
- National Master's Diploma
- Field of Studies Humanities
- Section Langues et sociétés (coaccredited with the University of Rouen Normandie
- Specialisation «English Studies»
- Location: Faculté des Affaires internationals – Université le Havre Normandie – Lebon Campus
- Durée de la formation : Two years
- ECTS Credits: 120 (30 credits per semester)

