Course Information Sheet for entry in 2017-18

MPhil in General Linguistics and Comparative Philology

About the course

The MPhil in General Linguistics and Comparative Philology is a taught course offering a range of options for graduates seeking a higher academic qualification in language studies and wishing to specialise in general linguistics (including phonetics but not applied linguistics), in historical and comparative linguistics, or in the linguistics of a specific language.

In addition to a compulsory paper in linguistic theory, you will specialise in general linguistics (B), Indo-European historical and comparative philology and linguistics (C) or in the linguistics of one or two selected languages (D).

A 25,000-word thesis is compulsory for all options.

Option B

Three exam papers are chosen from the following range of topics:

- Phonetics and Phonology
- Syntax
- Semantics
- Historical and Comparative Linguistics
- Psycholinguistics and Neurolinguistics
- History and Structure of a Language
- Experimental Phonetics
- Sociolinguistics

You may also ask for one option in another subject in general linguistics; approval will be subject to the availability of proper instruction and provision for examination.

Option C

You will select two ancient Indo-European languages or language groups (eg Greek, Italic, Celtic, Anatolian, Indo-Iranian, Slavic etc). Three exam papers cover the comparative grammar, the historical grammar, and a number of set texts for linguistic commentary in the two languages or language groups.

Option D

You may select either ancient (eg Latin, Sanskrit, Akkadian) or modern languages (eg French, Italian, German, Japanese, Slavic languages).

There will be three examination papers:

(i) the history of one language, or of two historically related languages;

(ii) the structure of the language or languages chosen; and
(iiiia) translation from, and/or linguistic comment on, texts in the language or languages chosen, or
(iiiib) a project on an aspect of the structure or history of the language, or family of related
languages, studied.

Subject (iii) may be replaced with any of the modules listed under option B, except for the history
and structure of a language.

Changes to courses

The University will seek to deliver each course in accordance with the descriptions set out above.
However, there may be situations in which it is desirable or necessary for the University to make
changes in course provision, either before or after registration. For further information, please see
the University’s Terms and Conditions.

Expected length of course

21 months

Annual fees for entry in 2017-2018

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<th>Fee Status (including islands)</th>
<th>Tuition fee</th>
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The fees shown above are the annual tuition and college fees for this course for entry in the stated
academic year; for courses lasting longer than one year, please be aware that fees will usually
increase annually. Information about how much fees and other costs may increase is set out in the
University’s Terms and Conditions.

Tuition and college fees are payable each year for the duration of your fee liability (your fee liability
is the length of time for which you are required to pay tuition and college fees).

Additional cost information

Depending on your choice of options, and especially the choice of thesis project, some fieldwork or
experimental work may be required. Some thesis options will require laboratory experiments, for
which a budget of £75 is available to pay participants. Some may require overseas fieldwork, for
which the Faculty has a budget of £500 towards travel and subsistence costs.
Living costs

In addition to your fees, you will need to ensure that you have adequate funds to support your living costs for the duration of your course.

The likely living costs for 2017-18 are published below. These costs are based on a single, full-time graduate student, with no dependants, living in Oxford. We provide the cost per month so you can multiply up by the number of months you expect to live in Oxford.

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When planning your finances for any future years of study in Oxford beyond 2017-18, you should allow for an estimated increase in living expenses of 2% each year.

More information about how these figures have been calculated is available at www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/graduate/fees-and-funding/living-costs.

20 October 2016