Programme Advising Document

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M.A. in ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Programme Advising for Academic Year 2019/20

JANUARY 2020 COHORT   (for students starting the programme in JANUARY 2020-Revised)

ADVICE: For the working adult we recommend a maximum of 2 courses per semester (Part time Status).

University Regulation governing Full Time status for Graduate Students: Full-time students may take employment for not more than **twelve hours** per week without losing their full-time status otherwise they shall be registered as part-time. However, research students who hold Teaching or Research Assistantships in the area of their research programmes may be registered as full-time students, provided that their employment commitment does not exceed twenty hours per week. [Board of Graduate Studies and Research (BGSR) Regulations, August 2018, #1.46]

Note:

- The duration of the programme is based on the courses outlined for each teaching period. If you choose to do less than the outlined number, note that this will prolong your studies. Note that the programme does not have a full time delivery schedule at this time, however students wishing to take on a full time load can consult the Programme Manager to work out a personalized schedule.
- It is mandatory that all students participate in the Graduate Introduction to Online Learning course (**OOL6001) and complete this by the end of their first semester**. You can review the information about this course on the Website. If you are re-entering the programme and have completed this course already, you will not need to redo the course once done within 5 years of your re-entry.
- Note that Semesters 1 and 2 have 13 teaching weeks, while the Summer Session has 7-9 weeks of teaching. It is important to note that Summer Session is Compulsory and not doing courses in the summer will affect the duration of your studies.
- Students should download a copy of the Academic Calendar and note the deadlines for normal registration, late registration, requesting leave of absence, and other important dates.
- Students should also read information on the website related to REGISTRATION PROCEDURE to ensure that they have completed all the steps in the registration process.
  Students with resits to do, should note the courses on offer each semester (you may need to consult advising documents for other cohorts). IF you are repeating a failed component, that is you received the grade FC, please complete the necessary Repeat Form by the end of registration for the related teaching period.

COURSE CODE	COURSE NAME	CREDITS	SEMESTER OFFERED			COURSE TYPE	IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO GUIDE COURSE SELECTION / REGISTRATION
YEAR 1 [January - December 2020]			Sem. 1 (Sept. – Dec.)	Sem. 2 (Jan. – May)	Summer (May – July)		
General Information				**Semester 2, 2019-20**	**Summer 2020**		The MA in English Language is a 24 months programme comprising of 12 core courses and the graduate introductory course.
OOL6001	Graduate Introduction to Online Learning	0		✔		Core	This is a mandatory course. You MUST register and complete by the end of your first semester.
LANG6099	Advanced Academic English Language Skills	3		✔		Core	Assessment includes: essay, oral presentation, graded discussion and research paper
LING6307	Introductory Sociology of Language for Graduate Students	3		✔		Core	Assessment includes: online quizzes, tests, research paper.
LING6308	Introductory Sociolinguistics	3			✔	Core	Assessment includes: online quizzes, tests, case studies, research paper. [Note: this course is a pre-requisite for LING6302].
LING6401	The Grammar of English: An Extrapolatory Approach	3			✔	Core	Assessment includes: online quizzes, tests, case studies, research paper.
Academic Year 2020-2021							
Semester 1 – August 2020			Sem. 1 (Sept. – Dec.)	Sem. 2 (Jan. – May)	Summer (May – July)		
LING6007	Introductory Phonetics and Phonology for Graduate students	3	✔			Core	Assessment includes: online quizzes, tests, research paper. [Note that this course is a pre-requisite for all second year courses]
LING6008	Introductory Morphology and Syntax for students	3	✔			Core	Assessment includes: online quizzes, tests, research paper. [Note that this course is a pre-requisite for all second year courses]

YEAR 2 [January to December 2021]			Sem. 1 (Sept. – Dec.)	Sem. 2 (Jan. – May)	Summer (May – July)		
LING6407	Discourse Styles of English	3		✔		Core	Assessment includes: data analysis activities, graded discussion, and research paper.
LING6201	Comparative Caribbean English – Lexicon Creole	3		✔		Core	Assessment includes: data analysis activities, graded discussion, case studies, and research paper.
LING6302	The Sociolinguistics of English Language and Society of Language	3			✔	Core	Assessment includes: data analysis activities, graded discussion, and research paper. [pre-requisite – LING6308]
LING6402	Word English	3			✔	Core	Assessment includes: online quizzes, tests, case studies, research paper.
Semester 1 – August 2021			Sem. 1 (Sept. – Dec.)	Sem. 2 (Jan. – May)	Summer (May – July)		
LING6103	Principles and Methods of English language Teaching	3	✔			Core	Assessment includes: individual and group project, research paper
LING6106	The Content of Tertiary Level English Language Courses	3	✔			Core	Assessment includes: individual and group project, research paper

ASSESSMENT FOR THE COURSES: All courses in this programme are assessed by online activities that fall into three Components – Component A, B and C. Kindly note that online participation is mandatory and contributes to grades earned for Component C. To pass each course, students must:

> (1) receive a total grade of 50% or above AND
> (2) receive a grade of 50% or above for EACH component in the course.

If you fail ONE component only, you will receive a grade of FC on your record, and will be able to repeat that one failed component at the next offering. Please complete the REPEAT COMPONENT FORM for the related teaching period. This must be done by the end of registration for the period. If you fail two or more components, you will receive the grade F, and will need to repeat the full course.

Please note that all matters relating to teaching and learning should be directed to your Group Facilitator (GF) or Course Coordinator (CC) or Course Instructor (CI). In the event that you do not hear from the facilitator in a timely manner, you should contact your Course Delivery Assistant (CDA) in the Programme Delivery Department (PDD).

You can communicate with the CDA team by emailing academicsupport@open.uwi.edu or by skype. The Skype name is uwioc_academic_support   [please add this name to your skype contact and do not hesitate to interact as often as needed. The Skype room is available Monday to Friday, from 10am -11am (Jamaica time) /11am to noon (EC time).

Also feel free to contact your Programme Manager at any time.

For additional information:
- To see the full listing of courses for your programme, go to the link: http://www.open.uwi.edu/programmes

    - For tuition information for the academic year, go to Admissions Section of website, and click on Financial Information.

    - For Information re registration and other important dates, consult the academic calendar on the Open Campus website.

- For technical issues, inclusive of appropriate systems to be downloaded, assistance with UWIOC email/ password, uploading of assignments, etc. Contact the helpdesk at helpdesk@open.uwi.edu

- You can email your programme related queries to the Programme Manager or academicsupport@open.uwi.edu