Course Specifications

Valid as from the academic year 2018-2019

Language, Culture and Society in Africa (A005325)

Course

Course offerings in academic year 2018-2019

A (semester 2) Dutch

Lecturers in academic year 2018-2019

Meeuwis, Michael LW21 lecturer-in-charge
Gunnink, Hilde LW21 co-lecturer

Offered in the following programmes in 2018-2019

Bachelor of Arts in African Languages and Cultures 5 A
Linking Course Master of Arts in African Studies 5 A
Preparatory Course Master of Arts in African Studies 5 A

Teaching languages

Dutch

Keywords

Africa, Language, Culture; Society

Position of the course

This course is aimed at familiarizing the students with the basic knowledge on language, culture, and society in Africa.

Contents

Starting from the specific linguistic history of the African continent - a.o. orality, colonial language policy, multilingualism and the independent nation state - this course offers insight into the basic concepts of and a concise introduction into the approaches concerning language, culture and society in Africa.

Initial competences

No specific prerequisites.

Final competences

1 Having acquired an insight into the relations between language(use) and culture/society in Africa.
2 Having acquired a basic knowledge of the sociolinguistic landscape in Africa.
3 Having acquired an insight into and knowledge of the most important concepts and approaches concerning language, culture, and society.
4 Having acquired an insight into the relations between colonialism and hierarchising language policies
5 Having acquired an insight in multilingualism and how this relates to nation-state formation in Africa.

Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is unrestricted: the student takes into consideration the conditions mentioned in ‘Starting Competences’

Conditions for exam contract

Access to this course unit via an exam contract is unrestricted

Teaching methods

Lecture, lecture: response lecture

Course size (nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)

Credits 5.0 Study time 150 h Contact hrs 45.0 h

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Extra information on the teaching methods
Lecture sessions
Learning materials and price
Hopefully the syllabus will be ready
References

Course content-related study coaching
   Feedback during every phase of the learning process (on appointment).
Evaluation methods
   end-of-term evaluation
Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the first examination period
   Written examination
Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the second examination period
   Written examination
Examination methods in case of permanent evaluation
Possibilities of retake in case of permanent evaluation
   not applicable
Extra information on the examination methods
   Written examination
Calculation of the examination mark
   Periodic
Facilities for Working Students
   1. Possible exemption from educational activities requiring student attendance.
   2. No possible rescheduling of the examination to a different time in the same academic year.
   3. Feedback can be given by email, telephone or during an appointment during or before office hours.
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