

## Structure and history of English II

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**Leistungspunkte:** 6

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**Zeit:** Mittwoch 15.15–16.45

**Ort:** R712

### Description

This course discusses the linguistic structure and the history of the English language. We will deal with the Indo-European and Germanic ancestors of English, including internal changes as well as historical changes due to language contact. We will also focus on changes in the Old English, Middle English and Early Modern English periods, as well as the Modern period right up to the present day. SHE-II consists of two hours of lectures plus one two-hour tutorial every week. The classes will be taught in English.

### Languages

- classes: English
- exams: English
- contact: English or German (please choose the language you are more competent in, i.e. *please write in German if your first language is German*)

### Literature

Gelderen, Elly van. 2014. *A history of the English language*. 2nd edition. Amsterdam: John Benjamins.

**Requirement:** an end-term written exam (Klausur) in class (100%)

### Preliminary schedule:

22.04.2020	Introduction: The English language
29.04.2020	English spelling, sounds, and grammar
06.05.2020	Before Old English
13.05.2020	Old English I: Phonology and morphology
20.05.2020	Old English II: Syntax and the lexicon
27.05.2020	From Old to Middle English
03.06.2020	Middle English I: Phonology and morphology
10.06.2020	Middle English II: Syntax and the lexicon
17.06.2020	Early Modern English
24.06.2020	Modern English
01.07.2020	English around the world
08.07.2020	Theories of language change
15.07.2020	EXAM

## **Tutorials**

You can take one of following tutorials:

- Monday 15.15–16.45 (G227a) – Frau/Ms Vera Richter
- Wednesday 11.45–13.15 (H308) – Frau/Ms Chiara Riegger
- Thursday 11.45–13.15 (E402) – Frau/Ms Lina Philipp
- Friday 10.00–11.30 (M627) – Frau/Ms Veronika Rink