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Master's degree



International Experimental and Clinical Linguistics (IECL)

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Overview

Degree	Master of Science
Teaching language	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• English
Languages	Courses are held in English (100%).
Programme duration	4 semesters
Beginning	Winter semester
Additional information on beginning, duration and mode of study	Lectures start in October.
Application deadline	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The application period for the winter semester starts on 1 April and officially ends on 15 August in the year of enrolment.• We highly recommend to apply earlier (1 July) in order to have sufficient time to prepare for your stay and deal with visa regulations before the start of the semester.• Information for a step-by-step online application for Master's programmes via the admissions portal is provided here.• Students submitting an academic degree or academic records from a higher education institution abroad must also upload a document on the evaluation of the degree as an entrance qualification for Master's studies (preliminary review documentation – Vorprüfungsdokumentation or VPD) via the admission and enrolment portal. Please refer to the following website for information on how to apply for a VPD.
Tuition fees per semester in EUR	None
Combined Master's degree / PhD programme	No
Joint degree / double degree programme	No
Description/content	<p>The English-language International Master's Programme Experimental and Clinical Linguistics (IECL) at the University of Potsdam is part of the Linguistics Department.</p> <p>The IECL programme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• offers innovative instruction, combining linguistic knowledge with interdisciplinary research and an international orientation• is a research-based programme• covers areas like language processing, language acquisition, evidence bases in language

impairments and multilingualism

- equips you with the ability to critically evaluate studies, conduct **empirical-experimental research**, make in-depth **analysis of statistical data** and interpret results
- has a **special focus on statistics** (see [here](#) some examples of our statistic classes)
- **does not equip you to work as a speech and language therapist**

Course Details

Course organisation

The Master's degree in IECL consists of **experimental training in participating research** laboratories, combined with in-depth lectures, tutorials, and seminars to provide students with a theoretical background. During the four semesters of the Master's programme, a total of **120 credit points (CP)** will be earned in the following areas via mandatory and elective classes:

- **Introductory modules (Methods & Statistics)**
- **Foundation and advanced modules** (First Language Acquisition, Speech & Language Processing, Evidence-Based Practice in Speech & Language Disorders, Multilingual Language Acquisition and Processing)
- **Internship** in laboratories
- **Individual research modules** (Scientific Writing, Individual Research)

Students admitted to the Master's segment of the programme will start a thesis project based on **experimental research**. The Master's thesis (written in English) must be finished within a six-month period. Moreover, each student will present his/her project in a Master's colloquium.

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A Diploma supplement will be issued

Yes

International elements

- Specialist literature in other languages
- International comparisons and thematic reference to the international context

Integrated internships

An **internship** serves to develop and deepen your laboratory skills and methods. (For an overview, see: [laboratories and research groups](#) at the [Linguistics Department of Potsdam University](#).)

In the internship, students will be supervised as they take on the independent preparation, evaluation, and execution of empirical research tasks. Activities can range from materials production to study design, execution of experiments, and the statistical analysis of data.

Course-specific, integrated German language courses

No

Course-specific, integrated English language courses

No

Costs / Funding

Tuition fees per semester in EUR

None

Semester contribution

All students at the University of Potsdam must pay a semester fee of 292 EUR, which is made up of various components including public transportation and is due each semester.

Check all of the information here: <https://www.uni-potsdam.de/en/studium/studying/financing-funding-housing/costs-at-a-glance>.

Funding opportunities within the university No

Requirements / Registration

Academic admission requirements

The general prerequisites for enrolling in the Master's programme according to the IECL-specific admission regulations are:

(1) a **first academic degree** i.e. a Bachelor's degree or the equivalent in a subject essential for the degree programme in **experimental cognitive sciences**, or an academic degree in **speech and language treatment**, or an experimental degree programme closely related to the field, with **at least 180 CP** of coursework.

Moreover knowledge of experimental-empirical competences evidenced by at least:

(a) **six credit points in statistics and / or quantitative research methods**(the scope of **statistics** comprises at least **three credit points**)

(b) **12 credit points** in the field of **experimental cognitive science** (psycholinguistics, neurolinguistics, cognitive psychology, neuropsychology, developmental psychology, biopsychology)

(c) **six credit points** in the field of experimental and **theoretical linguistics** (syntax, phonology, semantics, language processing, language acquisition)

Language requirements

1. English language skills (if English is not your first language) at least at **C1 level** (CEFR, Common European Framework of Reference), as evidenced by one of the following:

- [UNIcert® III or IV certificate](#)
- [TOEFL® Internet-Based Test \(iBT\) or TOEFL iBT Home Edition with at least 95 points](#)
- [Cambridge English C1 Advanced \(CAE\) with at least 180 points](#)
- [IELTS "Academic" with at least 7 points in every test component](#)
- A degree certificate indicating the completion of an English language degree programme at a recognised institution of higher education
- Higher education entrance qualification certificate obtained for an English language course of study in a country where English is an official language
- [Pearson Test of English – PTE Academic with at least 76 points](#)
- [Cambridge English C2 Proficiency \(CPE\)](#)

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Submit application to

<https://studienplatz.uni-potsdam.de/>

Services

Possibility of finding part-time employment

Job opportunities for students alongside their studies are numerous. Depending on personal and professional skills, students can find jobs in the service sector (e.g. in restaurants, supermarkets, cinemas, museums, theatres, etc.) or work as student research assistants at the University of Potsdam or at one of the many non-university research institutions located in the area. Berlin, the capital city of Germany, is located just around the corner, and students can also find jobs there. Please see [this website](#) for further information.

Accommodation

There are several student dormitories in Potsdam. These are administered exclusively by Potsdam's Association for Student Affairs ("Studentenwerk Potsdam"). You can apply for a room in one of these dormitories if you are under the age of 30. If you are a Master's student, you can only apply if the degree at the University of Potsdam is your first Master's programme. Additionally, there are also a few private dormitories in Potsdam, to which these conditions do not apply. However, many students prefer to find an apartment in Potsdam or Berlin, which they often share with fellow students. The housing market is very tight, so please start looking for an accommodation as early as possible.

For information on how to register for a dorm room or find accommodation elsewhere, please click [here](#).

Career advisory service

The Career Service of the University of Potsdam supports students and graduates who want to actively shape their careers. The aim is to ensure comprehensive career orientation and to provide opportunities for the development of professional skills. The Career Service offers workshops, seminars, and individual counselling. There are information pages on a wide range of occupational fields as well as a database of internships and jobs. Many of the services are also available in English.

Support for international students and doctoral candidates

- Buddy programme
- Welcome event
- Tutors
- Specialist counselling
- Visa matters
- Cultural and linguistic preparation

General services and support for international students and doctoral candidates

The International Office at the University of Potsdam

<https://www.uni-potsdam.de/en/international/contact/io>

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