

# **Programme Advising Document**

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## **M.A. in ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

### **Programme Advising for Academic Year 2017/18**

#### **JANUARY 2018 COHORT**

#### **(for students who started the programme in January 2018)**

**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.

**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 MA in English Language 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**. You can review the information about this course on the Website. If you are a re-entry 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 Term has 7-9 weeks of teaching. It is important to note that the Summer Term 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.

COURSE CODE	COURSE NAME	CREDITS	SEMESTER OFFERED			COURSE TYPE	IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO GUIDE COURSE SELECTION / REGISTRATION
			Sem. 1 (Sept. – Dec.)	Sem. 2 (Jan. – May)	Summer (May – July)		
<b>YEAR 1 [January - December 2018]</b>							
<i>General Information</i>				<b>Semester 2, 2017-18</b>	<b>Summer 2018</b>		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 and it is recommended that you register for this course at the beginning of your programme. It covers topics such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Navigating your online system – The Learning Exchange</li> <li>✓ Referencing and Plagiarism</li> <li>✓ Writing at the Graduate Level</li> </ul>
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.
LING6007	Introductory Phonetics and Phonology for Graduate students	3			✓	Core	Assessment includes: online quizzes, tests, research paper.

LING6008	Introductory Morphology and Syntax for students	3				✓	Core	Assessment includes: online quizzes, tests, research paper.
<b>Academic Year 2018-2019</b>								
<b>Semester 1 – August 2018</b>			Sem. 1 (Sept. – Dec.)	Sem. 2 (Jan. – May)	Summer (May – July)			
LING6308	<i>Introductory Sociolinguistics</i>	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.
<b>YEAR 2 [January to December 2019]</b>			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	<i>The Sociolinguistics of English Language and Society of Language</i>	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.
<b>Semester 1 – August 2019</b>			Sem. 1 (Sept. – Dec.)	Sem. 2 (Jan. – May)	Summer (May – July)		
LING6103	<i>Principles and Methods of English language Teaching</i>	3	✓			Core	Assessment includes: individual and group project, research paper
LING6106	<i>The Content of Tertiary Level English Language Courses</i>	3	✓			Core	Assessment includes: individual and group project, research paper

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](mailto:academicsupport@open.uwi.edu) or by skype. The Skype name is uwioic\_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 2017/2018, go to: <http://www.open.uwi.edu/sites/default/files/Schedule%20of%20Fees%202017%202018%20%284%29.pdf>
- 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](mailto:helpdesk@open.uwi.edu)
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