Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Language Studies

These regulations must be read in conjunction with the Academic Regulations (Taught Courses). These regulations are available by going online to the Open University ‘Essential Documents’ website at www.open.ac.uk/essential-documents.

Short title
BA (Honours) Language Studies. The degree may be referred to as the BA (Honours) Language Studies with ‘language A’ and ‘language B’ where ‘language A’ and ‘language B’ are the named language strands studied.

Award letters
BA (Hons) LS (Open)

Entry requirements
None

Maximum duration of study
16 years

Credit requirement
360

Stage 1 (120 credits)
120 credits from specified modules at, and, depending on the pathway being followed, you take one of the following combinations:

(i) 120 credits from specified compulsory modules

or

(ii) 60 credits from specified compulsory modules at and 60 credits from specified option modules

or

(iii) 30 credits from a specified compulsory module and 90 credits from specified option modules

or

(iv) 120 credits from specified core option modules

or

(v) 30 credits from specified core option modules and 90 credits from specified option modules

or

(vi) 30 credits from a specified compulsory module, 30 credits from a specified core option module and 60 credits from specified option modules
Stage 2 (120 credits)
120 credits from specified compulsory modules

Stage 3 (120 credits)
120 credits from specified compulsory modules

Maximum transferred credit
180 credits, of which no more than 60 are at Stage 2

Maximum age of credit transfer
16 years

Unique study requirement
120 credits at OU Stage 3

Additional rules
The Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Language Studies permits progression outside of the University requirements in the Academic Regulations (Taught Courses) to allow students to complete study at Stages 1, 2 and 3 in the first named language strand before starting to study the second language strand.

The specific progression requirements for the Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Language Studies are that students may progress to the next stage of study if they have been awarded 60 credits at the previous stage, and

- the study at the next stage is in the same language for which the student has been awarded credit, or

- a student has a sufficient level of language proficiency to be able to study for stage 2 credit without completing stage 1 study in the same language, and

- can be permitted to study at stage 3 without completing the full credit requirement for stage 1 if the stage 3 credit is in the same language as the stage 2 credit awarded.