

Welcome to the English Department



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Director of the English Department

Professor Simon SWIFT

Reception hour: Wednesdays, 14.30–16.00
in Comédie 208.

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English Department Secretariat



Susan MESA



Angela SIMONDETTO

Office: COM 214

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OPENING HOURS OF THE SECRETARIAT

Monday	8.30 – 12.30 / 13.00 – 17.00
Tuesday	8.30 – 12.30 / 13.00 – 17.00
Wednesday	8.30 – 12.30* / 13.00 – 17.00*
Thursday	8.00 – 12.00* / 13.00 – 17.00
Friday	8.30 – 12.30 / closed

*Secretaries working from home but can be reached by email:

Susan.Mesa@unige.ch and Angela.Simondetto@unige.ch



Website of the English Department:

<https://www.unige.ch/lettres/angle>

Please consult it often!



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Entrance to 'Comédie' building



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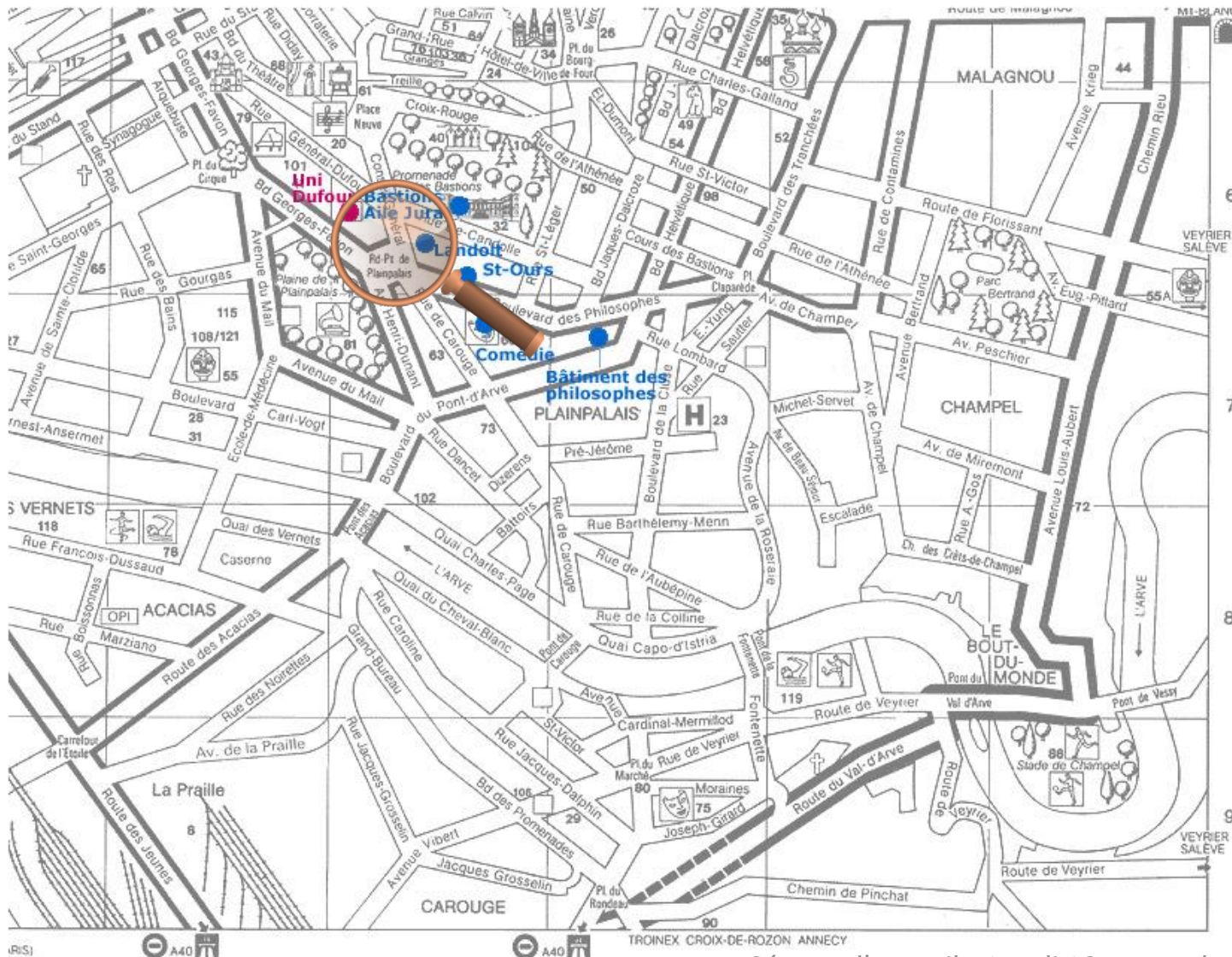


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'Landolt' Building – offices of English linguistics teachers

2 rue De-Candolle, 7th floor



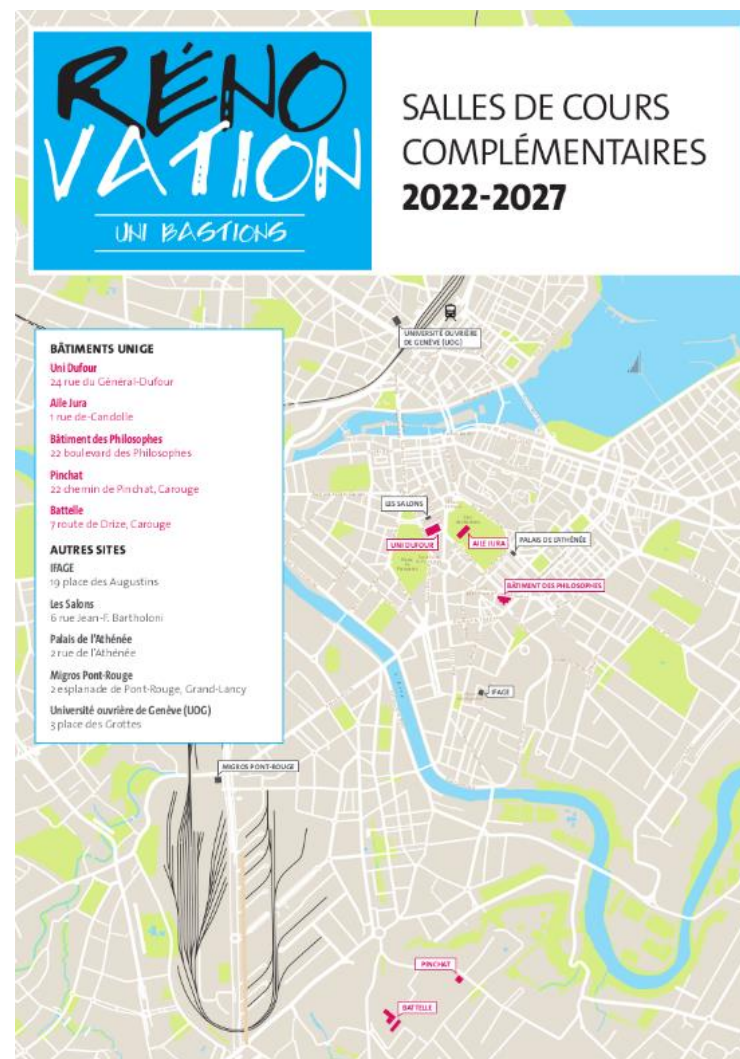
To find a teacher's office please consult the English department website and click on 'Staff'.



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Salles de cours complémentaires 2022-2027



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Domains taught in the English Department

- Linguistics
- Medieval English literature
- Early Modern English literature
- Modern English literature
- Contemporary literature
- American literature



Baccalauréat et Maîtrise universitaire ès lettres

« Baccalauréat et Maîtrise universitaires ès lettres » = 270 crédits

Disciplines	A	+	B	+ 1 module à option
« BA »	BA1		BA1	Module à option
	BA2		BA2	
15 modules	BA3		BA3	
	BA4		BA4	
soit	BA5		BA5	
	BA6		BA6	
	BA7		BA7	

180 crédits (84 crédits A + 84 crédits B + 12 crédits Option)

Première année : au moins 24 crédits (soit 2 modules à acquérir)

« MA »	MA1	1 ^{er} Module à option
5 modules	MA2	2 ^e Module à option
soit		
60 crédits	MA3	
+		
30 crédits →	Mémoire	
=		
90 crédits (66 crédits A + 24 crédits Options)		

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BA in English

Year 1

BA1: Introduction to the Study of Literature

Credits

12

BA2: Introduction to English Linguistics

12

BA1 & BA2 are pre-requisites for

Years 2 and 3

BA3: Linguistics

12

BA4: Anglo-Saxon and Medieval Literature and Civilisation

12

BA5: Early Modern Literature (16th, 17th & 18th C.)

12

BA6: Modern and Contemporary Literature (19th, 20th & 21st C.)

12

BA7: American Literature and Civilisation (16th–21st C.)

12

Total BA

84

Please note that BA3 to BA7 can be followed **in any order**.

The *Plan d'études* is at the back of “The First Year” brochure.



Programme des cours



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CURRENT STUDENTS

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INFORMATION FOR FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS

Information brochure "The First Year". A hard copy of the brochure will be distributed to all students at the Welcome Session of the English department (September *Rentrée*). This will also be available from the secretariat of the English department.

COURSE PROGRAMME 2023-2024

The links below lead to all lecture courses and seminars taught in the English department, together with names of instructors, meeting times and room assignments. A click on a seminar or course title leads to a detailed description and may specify preparatory readings or the ordering of certain texts before the beginning of the semester:

[Course programme BA 2023-2024](#)

[Course programme MA 2023-2024](#)

[Course programme 2023-2024](#) (PDF file for printing purposes)

[Course descriptions 2023-2024](#) (PDF file for printing purposes)



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Your 1st year in the English Department

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The First Year

BA1: Introduction to **English Literature**

- Year-long lecture course: Introduction to the Study of Literature (Tuesdays, 10–12, Pont Rouge – Forum 211 in autumn, Athénée – Abeilles in spring)
- 2 hours a week of travaux pratiques: Analysis of Texts
- 1 hour a week of travaux pratiques: Composition (Academic and Critical Writing Skills)
- Writing Lab (COM 213 – Comédie building)

BA2: Introduction to **English Linguistics**

- Year-long lecture course: Introduction to English Linguistics (Thursdays, 12–2, Pont Rouge – Forum 211)
- 2 hours a week of travaux pratiques: English Linguistics
- 2 hours a week of travaux pratiques: Practical Language



Your teachers in the first year

BA1 Introduction to Literature lecture:

- Prof. Simon Swift (Autumn semester)
- Dr Martin Leer (Spring semester)

Travaux pratiques (in small groups)

- Analysis of Texts: teaching assistants
- Composition (Academic and Critical Writing Skills): Dr Alexandre Fachard

BA2 Introduction to Linguistics lecture:

- Dr Tabea Ihsane

Travaux pratiques (in small groups)

- English Linguistics: teaching assistants
- Practical Language: Dr Alexandre Fachard

First-Year Literature Coordinator: Dr Alexandre Fachard

First-Year Linguistics Coordinator: Dr Tabea Ihsane

Writing Lab: Caroline Martin, Marianna Riishojgaard, Christina Zholdokova



Obligatory Sign-up for *Travaux pratiques* groups

BA1 Analysis of Texts, BA1 Composition, BA2 English Linguistics, BA2 Practical Language Registration for all groups will be done online via the following link from Monday, 18 September, 18.00 until Wednesday, 20 September, 18.00:
<https://www.unige.ch/lettres/angle/inscription-tp>

Dr Alexandre Fachard will now show you how to sign up.



Obligatory Sign-up for *Travaux pratiques* groups

You will be able to access the results of the sign-up using that same link on **Friday, 22 September, 12.00.**

If you have questions about registration, you can ask them during our *permanence*.



Drop-in information session (*permanence*)

Tuesday, 19 September, 17.00-18.30.

Room Phil 102 (Philosophes building):

This session is for **first-year students** requiring information or help with sign-ups to groups; BA complément students requiring information; and mobility students.



Obligatory Sign-up to the Department Mailing List

Sign up as soon as possible to the Department mailing list to ensure you receive important information about TP groups, exams, etc.

BA STUDENTS:

<https://listes.unige.ch/sympa/sigrequest/angle-ba>

MA STUDENTS:

<https://listes.unige.ch/sympa/sigrequest/angle-ma>

Details given in the brochure “The First Year” and on the **Homepage** of the English Department: “Inscrivez-vous à la *Mailing liste* du Département d'anglais”



Obligatory Faculty Information Session about Signing up Online (IEL = inscription en ligne)

This obligatory session explains **how to sign up online** for your courses and exams. The session will take place on

Thursday, 28 September, 18.15
in room U 300 – Uni-Dufour



Studies and special needs

<https://www.unige.ch/sse/besoins-particuliers>

<https://www.unige.ch/sse/en/studies-and-special-needs>

If you are a person with dyslexia, dyspraxia ADHD/ADD, autism, or need to announce to us any other kind of learning difference, including issues with mobility and sensoriality, psychological issues, please apply by clicking on the link above which will take you to the “Service Santé des Etudiant.e.s”.

Please do this as soon as possible; deadlines are tight.



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Start of classes

Classes begin on **Wednesday 20th September**. So your first-year classes will begin as follows:

- BA2 lecture course “Introduction to English Linguistics” starts on **Thursday, 21 September**

Please note that **only the above course** will begin this week, the other BA1 & BA2 classes will start next week.

- BA2 English Linguistics TP groups start on **Monday, 25 September**
- BA1 lecture course “Introduction to the Study of Literature” starts on **Tuesday, 26 September**
- BA1 Analysis of Texts (AT) TP groups start on **Tuesday, 26 September**
- BA1 Composition (Academic and Critical Writing Skills) groups start on **Tuesday, 26 September**
- BA2 Practical Language groups start on **Wednesday, 27 September**.



What you need for your first year

Textbooks and printed material



BA1: Introduction to the Study of Literature

Poetry and the Essay (Autumn), Prof. Simon Swift
Drama and Narrative (Spring), Dr. Martin Leer



BA1 Lecture, 2023-2024
Tuesday, 10.15-12.00, Pont Rouge and Athénée

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BA1 Lecture course Reader

- Please order and buy the BA1 Lecture Course Reader “Introduction to the Study of Literature” from polycopie.unige.ch before your classes begin next week. You must allow 48 hours between placing your order and going to Uni-Mail to collect it.
- The reader costs approximately CHF 15.



BA1 Textbooks

Please also make sure to buy the following textbooks **before the Spring Lecture Course:**

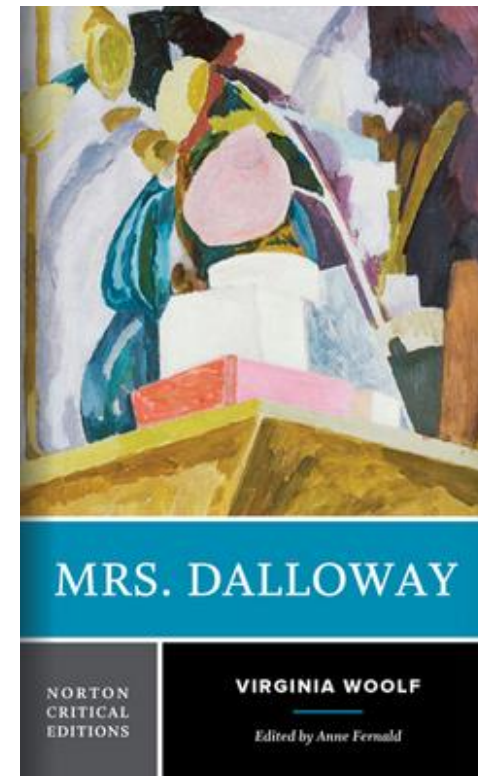
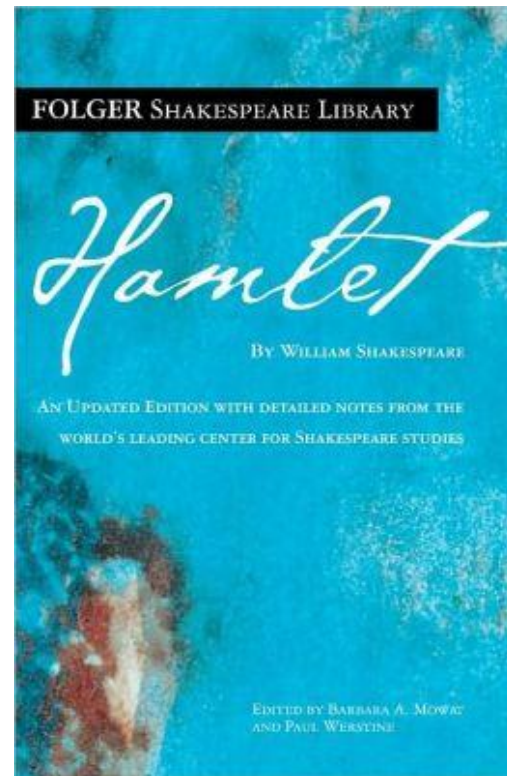
William Shakespeare, *Hamlet*, Folger Shakespeare Library (Simon & Schuster, updated, 2012) ISBN 978-1-4516-6941-1

Virginia Woolf's *Mrs Dalloway* (Norton Critical Edition) ISBN: 978-0-393-65599-5

These are available from Payot or from good online book depositories.



Payot Genève Rive-Gauche Rue de la Confédération 7



Approximately

CHF 18.90

CHF 14.50

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BA1 Lecture

Reminder!!

First Lecture on Tuesday, 26 September
10.15-12.00, Pont Rouge – Forum 211

- Bring your reader
- Read through "Introduction to Module BA1" in the reader before the lecture
- Make sure you have signed up for an AT group and that you know who your AT teacher is, as well as the day, time and room.



BA1 Composition TP

Required texts, TO BE PURCHASED IN WEEK 1:

(1) **A textbook (34 francs)** that will be sold in class.

Please have the exact amount (**34 francs**) with you on the first day of classes: Tuesday, 26 September (groups 1 and 2) and Friday, 29 September (groups 3 and 4).

(2) **A print on-demand reader** (around 9 CHF)

To order a copy

⇒ Go to <https://polycopie.unige.ch/en/>

Full instructions on how to order the above reader can be found in the brochure “The First Year” available to pick up at this welcome session. Pick up a copy on your way out.



Summary of BA1 Texts for Purchase Before Classes Begin

- BA1 Reader: order from polycopie.unige.ch/en/ 48 hours before collecting at Uni-Mail.

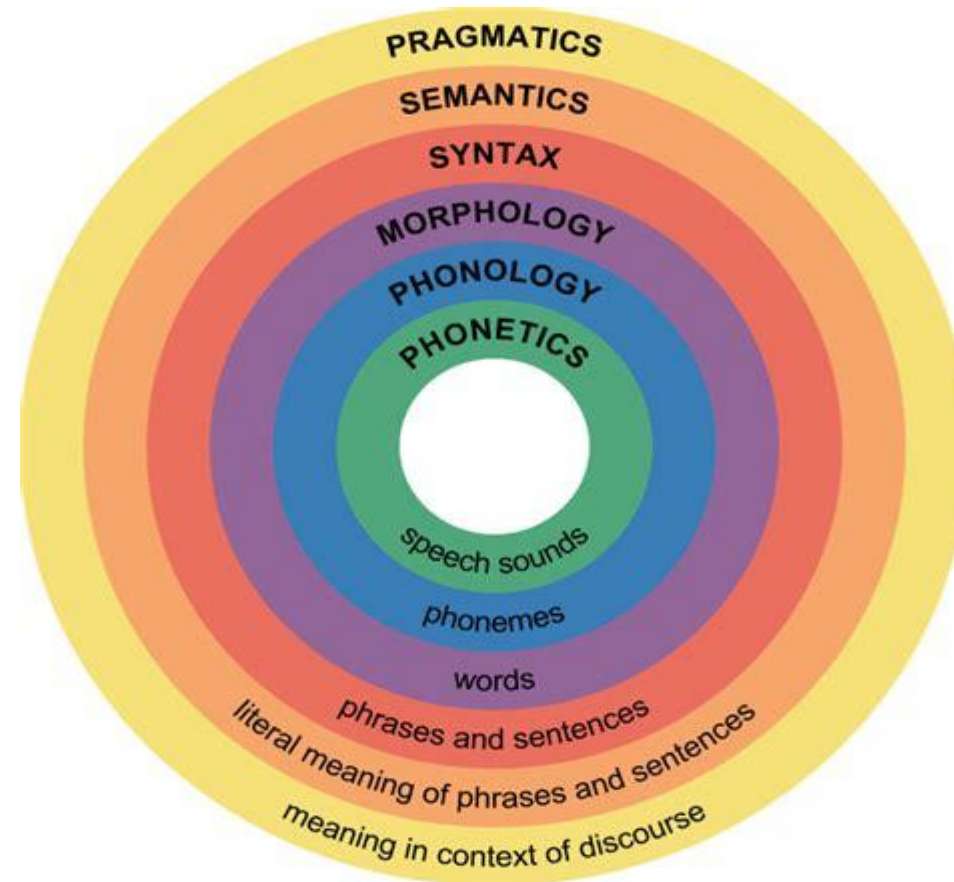
Texts for Composition TP:

- A textbook (34 francs) that will be sold in class
- A print-on demand reader (around 9 CHF)



BA2: Introduction to English Linguistics

Dr Tabea Ihsane



BA2 lecture 2023-2024

Thursday 12.15-13.45, Pont Rouge – Forum 211

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BA2: Introduction to English Linguistics

Reminder: First lecture on Thursday, 21 September

- The entire course material will be made available on Moodle (<https://moodle.unige.ch>). You will receive the password in the first lecture.
- English Linguistics, TP: Monday 8-10, 10-12, 12-14, Tuesday 8-10 at **Université Ouvrière de Genève**, Amphithéâtre Berenstein

Reminder: First TP on Monday, 25 September

Make sure you take the material with you to every TP.



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BA2 Practical Language TP

Required texts, TO BE PURCHASED IN WEEK 1:

(1) A reader, to be purchased at polycopie@unige.ch;

To order a copy

⇒ Go to polycopie.unige.ch/en/

(2) Douglas Biber et al., *Longman Student Grammar of Spoken and Written English* (Pearson, 2013). Copies of this book will be available for purchase at Payot – Rive Gauche (rue de la Confédération 7, 1204 Geneva); price: 35.90 with student discount.



Style Sheet

The Style Sheet should be used as a guide for the writing and presentation of all essays submitted for English department courses, including *mémoires*.

It can be downloaded from the English department's website homepage:
<https://www.unige.ch/lettres/angle/fr/>



Read the brochure “The First Year”!

For full details about ordering the required texts, as well as important study and sign-up information, please consult the brochure “The First Year” available at this welcome session:



You should look through this today and make a note of all important dates for registration and classes.



The Department and its Activities

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Study Abroad

Departmental Coordinator: Prof. Lukas Erne

- You can study for credits at a range of international universities

Information Session on Study Abroad:

**Tuesday, 10 October, 18.15
in U 259 (Uni Dufour)**

If interested, start planning now!



The English Department's *Writing Lab*

- The Writing Lab is an individual tutorial service provided for those who seek to improve their written English. It is available to all students in the department, from the first year to the master's level.

SERVICES PROVIDED

- Tutors review the skills necessary for writing English academic essays.
- Meetings often cover structural elements, such as formulating thesis statements, constructing paragraphs, and organizing the essay. They also deal with writing techniques, including how to make smooth transitions and choose an appropriate register.
- Tutors do not evaluate the merit of arguments or help students analyse, nor do they proofread papers.
- The services of the Writing Lab are not available to students outside of the English Department of the University of Geneva.



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The English Department's *Writing Lab*

YOUR APPOINTMENT

You will work one-on-one with a tutor during a 30-minute appointment. Please arrive on time and bring a piece of writing (e.g., brainstorm, outline, thesis statement, paragraph, or draft) that you would like to discuss.

SCHEDULE

AUTUMN SEMESTER

2 OCTOBER – 22 DECEMBER 2023 and 4 – 5 JANUARY 2024

MONDAY 09.00 – 12.00 (Marianna Riishojgaard)

TUESDAY 13.30 – 16.30 (Christina Zholdokova)

THURSDAY 14.00 – 17.00 (Christina Zholdokova)

FRIDAY 10.00 – 13.00 (Marianna Riishojgaard)

N.B. The Writing Lab will be open during Reading Week: 6-10 November 2023.



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The English Department's *Writing Lab*

Sign up: <https://calendly.com/edwl/>

This link is posted on the English Department's homepage as well as on its Writing Lab page:

Current Students → Research Tools → Writing Lab

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dates, information, reminders

DEADLINES

Deadlines for the submission of attestations and graded papers are as follows:

- May/June exam session: **Monday 8th May**
- August/September exam session: **Monday 7th August**

ONLINE SIGN-UP

Monday 3rd July – Sunday 9th July

Do not forget to sign-up for the August-September examination session through the online portal (IEL) during the second week of July.

LECTURE

Wednesday 19th April, 16.15, PHIL 204

Indira Ghose, Professor emeritus from the University of Fribourg, will give a lecture on the topic of *Wit, Humour, and Civility*, as part of the CUSO Doctoral Workshop in Medieval and Early Modern English Studies organized by Prof. Guillemette Bolens & Prof. Lukas Erne.

BOOK CLUB

The AELLA's Book Club takes place once a month on **Thursdays at 18:15 in PHIL 002**. The remaining meetings this semester are as follows:

- **April 20th**: Douglas Adams' *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy* (1979)
- **May 11th**: Neil Gaiman's *The Ocean at the End of the Lane* (2013)

During our meetings, we drink tea and eat cookies while talking about our chosen book of the month. The books we will be reading during the rest of this semester include Douglas Adams' *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy* and Neil Gaiman's *The Ocean at the End of the Lane*. Our goal is to create a fun and welcoming environment in which students from the English department can read books outside of class and discuss them as a group.

WORKSHOP

Wednesday 3rd May, 16.15, PHIL 204

Professor Pascale Aebischer, Dr. Jo Ezra, and Dr. Victoria Sparey from the University of Exeter will lead a workshop on *Types of Titus*. This event is part of the Geneva-Exeter Renaissance Exchange, led by Emily Smith and subsidized by the Joint Seed Money Funding Scheme promoting cooperation between the University of Geneva and the University of Exeter, and of the CUSO Doctoral Workshop in Medieval and Early Modern English Studies organized by Prof. Guillemette Bolens & Prof. Lukas Erne.

WORKSHOP

Monday 15th May, 14.15-18.00, Uni Dufour U365

As part of the CUSO doctoral workshop in Modern and Contemporary Literature on *Philosophy by Other Means*, Professor Robert B. Pippin of the University of Chicago will give a lecture on *The Problem of Truth in Novels and Cinema*, focussing on the work of Robert Bresson. The lecture will be preceded



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The English Library

The English Library is situated in the *Bâtiment des Bastions*, in the recently renovated *Aile Jura*.

For essential information about the library and how to use its collections, please consult the library booklet and remember to grab a copy on your way out.



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English Collections



Noted: The English Department Journal

Noted invites contributions from students and staff for each of its sections:

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- Art
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- Varia

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Past editions available online at <https://www.unige.ch/lettres/angle/en/current-students/noted/>



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AELLA

AELLA is the English Department's student association.

A representative is here and will briefly introduce AELLA's activities.

Instagram account: @aella.unige

Email address: aella@unige.ch



The Book Club



Book Club

Oct. 3rd: Welcome Meeting

Oct. 24th: *Before the Coffee Gets Cold*
(Toshikazu Kawaguchi, 2015)

Nov. 21st: *The Colour of Milk*
(Nell Leyshon, 2012)

Dec. 19th: *The House on Mango Street*
(Sandra Cisneros, 1984)

Feb. 20th: *Love in Colour*
(Bolu Babalola, 2020)

**Meetings begin
at 6:30pm**

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Commission mixte

Commission mixte Members 2023-2024

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Note for MA students

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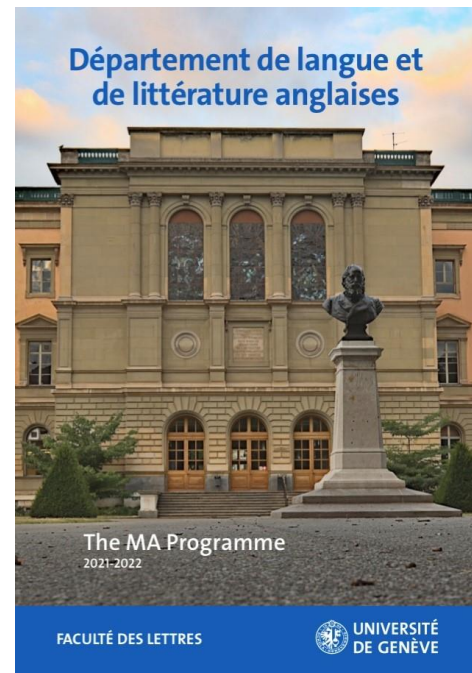


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MA in English

If you are a current or new MA student please help yourself to the brochure “The MA Programme” available at this welcome session. This booklet contains useful information about the MA, including the study plan (*plan d'études*), as well as general information about the English department.



Copies are also available from the English department secretariat at the ‘Comédie’ building.

MA in English

	<u>Credits</u>
• MA1: Langue et littérature anglaises I	12
• MA2: Langue et littérature anglaises II	12
• MA3: Langue et littérature anglaises III	
– Demi-module MA3 a	6
– Demi-module MA3 b	6
• Mémoire	30
• Modules à option	
can be done either in English or in another discipline	
• MA4: Langue et littérature anglaises IV	12
• MA5: Langue et littérature anglaises V	12
• Total MA	90



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