



EMLex Advanced Module A6

| Name of module | Advanced module A6: Computational Lexicography 5 ECTS |
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| Courses | Block seminar: 5-8 days, 24-30 teaching hours |
| Lecturers | Ulrich Heid / Stefan Evert / Besim Kabashi |
| Person responsible | Stefan Evert |
| for module | |
| Contents | Foundations of corpus linguistics |
| | • Principles and methods of corpus analysis |
| | • Applications of corpus data in lexicography |
| | • Types of corpora, overview of existing corpora |
| | • Corpus design, representativity, data sources, metadata |
| | Corpus compilation |
| | • Building corpora from online data: Web scraping etc. |
| | Boilerplate removal, normalization, metadata extraction |
| | Representation and exchange formats |
| | • Online and stand-alone tools for Web corpus compilation |
| | • Automatic linguistic annotation (POS, lemma, NER, parsing,) |
| | • Online and stand-alone tools for linguistic annotation |
| | Searching corpora |
| | Regular expressions |
| | • Character encodings and the Unicode standard |
| | • CQP query language for lexico-grammatical patterns |
| | Practical exercises with SketchEngine and CQPweb |
| | Quantitative analysis |
| | • Frequency lists and metadata distribution |
| | Collocations and word sketches |
| | Keyword analysis |
| | • Lexicographic interpretation of results |
| | • Foundations of statistical inference |
| | Reproducibility |
| | Research methodology and documentation |
| | • Data management, sustainability of corpus resources |
| Learning outcomes | The students should be able |
| | • to formulate their corpus requirements for a lexicographic project |
| | and specify the design of a representative corpus; |
| | • to compile such a corpus from Web pages or other sources; |
| | • to annotate the corpus with linguistic information using automatic |
| | natural language processing tools; |
| | • to search the corpus with regular expressions and more complex |
| | queries based on lexico-grammatical patterns; |
| | • to apply quantitative techniques such as collocation or keyword |
| | analysis and interpret the results appropriately; |
| | • to communicate the results of their work to fellow students; |
| | • to lead academic discussions about technical and methodological |
| | aspects of corpus-based research; and |





| | • to document and archive corpus data and analysis results. |
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| Requirements for | 25 ECTS marks from the first semester |
| participation | |
| Positioning within | Elective module in the second semester (6 or 7 from 10). |
| the schedule | |
| Applicability of the | For the Master degree programme EMLex |
| module | |
| Examination | The teachers choose one of the following (option b recommended): |
| | a) 90-minute final exam on the contents of the seminar |
| | or |
| | b) presentation of class project plus a short paper (ca. 10 pages) |
| | or |
| | c) longer paper (15-20 pages) |
| Calculation of the | 100% of the mark obtained in the final exam / assignment |
| final mark for the | |
| module | |
| Retakes of the | 1 |
| exam | |
| Frequency | Annually, during summer term |
| Workload | Attendance: 5-8 days, 24-30 teaching hours |
| | Private study: 120 hours |
| Duration of | Block seminar (date and duration to be announced) |
| module | |
| Language of | English or German |
| teaching | |
| Selected literature | HSK 5.4, Ch. XVIII + XIX |
| Last changes | Feb. 2019 |