



European Master in Lexicography (EMLex)

Advanced module A2: History of Lexicography

Name of module	Advanced module A2: History of Lexicography	5 ECTS
Course	Block seminar: 4 days, 24 teaching hours + Guest lecture	
Lecturers	Paolo Vaciago (PV) / Christine Ganslmayer (CG) / Anja	
	Lobenstein-Reichmann (ALR) / Laura Balbiani (LB)	
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Contents	Overview The module comprises 12 two-hour units covering the following topics:	
	A. Western European lexicography from antiquity to the late medieval period (units 1-5)	
	B. German lexicography from the late medieval period to the 20 th	
	century (units 5-6, 9-12) C. Historical lexicography (units 7-8, Guest lecture)	
	D. Dictionary criticism (units 6, 9, 12)	
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	Programme 1. (PV) The late antique and early medieval tradition I:	
	overview of the material and examination of samples drawn from the	
	main documents (Festus, Nonius Marcellus, Synonyms, Differences,	
	Isidore's <i>Etymologies</i> and others).	
	2. (PV) The late antique and early medieval tradition II:	
	a) lexicography and grammar; b) typological variety of the material: macro- and microstructures; c) sources, processes of compilation,	
	patterns of transmission of lexicographical material.	
	3. (PV) Tradition and innovation in the early medieval period:	
	a) conservative and innovative traits of the early medieval material;	
	b) innovative formats employed for lexicographical purposes; c)	
	experiments with word families: the derivative method.	
	4. (CG) Early medieval glossography:	
	Glosses and glossaries as earliest forms of vernacular lexicography;	
	types and samples from the Old High German and the Old English	
	area 5 (CC) Lete medievel levicegrouphy (14th 15th e.)	
	5. (CG) Late medieval lexicography (14th-15th c.): a) Tradition and innovation: Latin as source language and the	
	development of German as the language of the lemma; b) Macro-	
	and microstructure of late medieval dictionaries containing German:	
	Vocabularius ex quo, Vocabularius teutonico-Latinus; c) The	
	development of multilingual dictionaries: Vocabularius italo-	
	teutonicus	
	6. (CG) Lexicography in the times of Humanism (16th c.):	
	a) Humanistic school lexicography (Dasypodius); b) Patriotic	
	language awareness (Maaler); c) Historical technical dictionaries (Gessner, Fuchs)	
	Guest Lecture: Prof. Oskar Reichmann	
	The Early New High German Dictionary as an example of a	
	modern dictionary of a historical language	
	7. (ALR) The Early New High German Dictionary I:	
	Analysis of the procedures involved in the compilation of an entry	
	for the Early New High German Dictionary; practical application of	
	the same in compiling an entry.	





8. (ALR) The Early New High German Dictionary II: Analysis of the procedures involved in the compilation of an entry for the Early New High German Dictionary; practical application of the same in compiling an entry, 9. (LB) Dictionary projects of the 17th century; The first language societies and their lexicographic interests; patriotic impulse as an impetus for new lexicographic projects (Schottel and Sticler), 10. (LB) The Earlightenment: new approaches to the description of vocabulary; normative and descriptive lexicography; selected samples from the dictionaries of Frisch, Steinbach, Adelung and Campe. 11. (LB) Billingual lexicography; (from Matthias Kramer onwards); pragmatic contexts, cultural and historical imprints, typologies (travel / learners' dictionaries etc.). 12. (ALR) Ideology and dictionary criticism: Lexicography and Ideology: Ethics of lexicographical writing and Dictionary criticism: Lexicography and Ideology: Ethics of lexicographical writing and Dictionary criticism: Lexicography and Ideology: Ethics of lexicographical writing and Dictionary criticism: Lexicography and Ideology: Ethics of lexicographical writing and Dictionary criticism: Lexicography and Ideology: Ethics of lexicographical writing and Dictionary criticism: Lexicography and Ideology: Ethics of lexicographical writing and Dictionary criticism: Lexicography and Ideology: Ethics of lexicographical writing and Dictionary criticism: Lexicography and Ideology: Ethics of lexicographical excomplations 3. gain knowledge on the processes of formation, use and diffusion of specific lexicographical compliations 4. acquire the ability to describe historical lexicographical compliations into the historical development 5. be able to fit historical lexicographical compliations into the historical development 6. become aware of the problematic issues involved in seeking to define the uses and users of historical lexicographical compliations 7. Elective module in the second semester (6 von 10) 8. Elective module in the second semester			
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	Own effort: 120 hours	
Duration of module	Block presentation (Time and duration according to	
	specific announcement)	
Language of teaching	German and English	
Selected Literature	No preliminary reading or knowledge expected. Material	
	will be provided at the beginning of the course.	
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