

German and English Language

University of Edinburgh

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For centuries, German-speaking cultures have had a profound international influence. Over one-third of Europeans speak German as their first language, and the language ranks in the world's top 20. It is particularly important within business and politics.

Across all four years of our wide-ranging programme, including a year abroad, your studies will give you the chance to gain professional skills in all aspects of German, including: reading and listening; writing and translating; and speaking and presenting.

As well as language learning, you will also explore German-language literature, film and theatre. You will study these in the context of historical and political developments, from the eighteenth century to contemporary times.

By your final year, you will have developed the linguistic, critical and analytical skills to the standard of completing a dissertation in German.

English Language

Using techniques from modern linguistics, you will analyse the structure of written and spoken English and explore how the language has changed throughout its history.

As well as the study of change in English, we have a strong tradition of investigating variations of the language, including: Scots; distinct dialects of English; and international variations.

You will study modern-day English and Scots and identify the similarities and differences between English and other languages.

Start Date

September

Qualification

Degree

Study Method

Full time

Award Title

MA Hons

UCAS Code

QR32

Course Length

4 years

Faculty

College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Department

Literatures, Languages and Cultures

Entry Requirements

2026 entry requirements

Standard entry:

4 Highers at ABBB (first sitting) or 4 or 5 Highers at ABBB/ABBBB (two sittings) plus National 5 in a language other than English at B and English at C.

Widening access entry:

4 Highers at ABBB (two sittings) plus National 5 in a language other than English at B and English at C. Highers at BBB must be achieved in one sitting.

SCQF Level

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