Information on the consecutive (follow-on) Master's degree programme *English Philology*

The admissions procedure does not include an entrance examination. Applicants will be evaluated on the basis of:

1. their submitted certificate of language proficiency. Applicants must submit an IELTS Academic or ToEFL iBT language proficiency certificate proving that their proficiency in the English language reaches at least level C1 (in the CEFR – Common European Framework of Reference for Languages);
2. a portfolio which will include:
   a. a structured letter of motivation, in English (2 500 characters including spaces); in the letter, applicants must describe their relevant interests and experience beyond their Bachelor studies;
   b. a structured summary of the applicant’s Bachelor thesis, in English (2 500 characters including spaces). If the elaboration and defence of a Bachelor thesis was not a requirement for the completion of the applicant’s previous studies, the applicant must submit a paper (an essay of 2 500 characters) on a specialist topic from the applicant’s previous studies.

Criteria for evaluation:

1. The IELTS Academic or ToEFL iBT language proficiency certificate proving proficiency to at least level C1 must include a points score as per the following table. The applicant is automatically awarded 60 points for this part:

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The certificate of the IELTS test (Test Report Form – TRF) or the ToEFL score report must be sent by the testing centre directly to the e-mail address englishphilology@osu.cz. If the applicant has already taken the examination, they must send a scan of the certificate to englishphilology@osu.cz.

The test must have been taken at a certified testing centre.

Validity of results: the test results (scores) must not have been achieved before 1 May 2020.

2. Evaluation of the applicant’s portfolio – a maximum 40 points may be awarded for this part:

   I. A structured letter of motivation in English; the length of the letter of motivation must not exceed 2 500 characters (including spaces). Any text exceeding this limit will not be included in the evaluation. A maximum 20 points may be awarded for the letter depending on how well the applicant has addressed the following aspects:
      a) What do you expect from your studies in the consecutive (follow-on) Master’s programme? (0 – 5 points)
      b) Which of your previous interests and experiences (both as part of your Bachelor studies and beyond your studies) are relevant to studying in this consecutive (follow-on) Master’s programme? Describe their relevance. (0 – 5 points)
c) State how studying in this consecutive (follow-on) Master’s programme is relevant to your future profession or career. (0 – 5 points).

d) State what interests you the most about your chosen degree programme/what aspect of the programme has attracted your attention the most, and describe the proposed topic of your Master’s thesis (0 – 5 points).

II. Summary of the applicant’s Bachelor thesis, in English: the length of the summary must not exceed 2 500 characters (including spaces). Any text exceeding this limit will not be included in the evaluation. A maximum 20 points may be awarded for the summary depending on how well the applicant has addressed the following aspects, which must be included in the summary:

a) the topic of the applicant's Bachelor thesis, its place within the context of the discipline (0 – 3 points);

b) the research aims (0 – 3 points);

c) the research methodology used, including references and connection with the theoretical framework of the thesis (0 – 4 points);

d) the corpus/material investigated (0 – 3 points);

e) the research results (findings), their interpretation and explanation (0 – 4 points);

f) outlook/recommendations for future research (0 – 3 points).

III. If the elaboration and defence of a Bachelor thesis was not a requirement for the completion of the applicant’s previous studies, the applicant must submit a paper (an essay of 2 500 characters, including spaces) on a specialist topic from the applicant’s previous studies. A maximum 20 points may be awarded for the paper depending on how well the applicant has addressed the following aspects, which must be included in the paper:

a) the topic of the paper, its place within the context of the discipline (0 – 3 points);

b) the research aims (0 – 3 points);

c) the research methodology used, including references and connection with the theoretical framework of the paper (0 – 4 points);

d) the corpus/material investigated (0 – 3 points);

e) the research results (findings), their interpretation and explanation (0 – 4 points);

f) outlook/recommendations for future research (0 – 3 points).

Further information:

- Deadline for applications: Applications for the academic year 2021/2022 may be submitted up to 15 May 2021.

- The applicant must submit the language proficiency certificate by the deadline for the e-application, i.e. the certificate must be received no later than 15 May 2021.

- The decision on admission/non-admission will be issued to the applicant within one month from the submission of the complete documentation (the language certificate and confirmation of previous education with recognition in the Czech Republic).
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