

Date/week	Course content/topic	Assignments
W 2 Sept 9	Introduction: content and aims of the course, main tasks and deadlines. What is linguistic/literary research? General discussion on ways to identify an area/topic of research.	Discuss with your (potential) supervisor your research area, topic, primary and secondary sources. Study in RM how to write a proposal form and annotated bibliography.
W 4 Sept 23	General structure of a research paper. Writing (annotated) bibliographies and references: main features and requirements. Research question: main features. Methods (and sources) of data collection and research. Mini proposal forms.	Write annotated bibliographies and fill in mini-proposal forms. Submit them to your supervisors until Sept.30. Get feedback until Oct 6.
W 6 Oct 7	General discussion on individual progress of data collection and hypotheses, methods of data collection and research. Pilot studies. Requirements for mini presentations on pilot studies.	Annotated bibliographies and mini proposals due! Prepare mini presentations on pilot studies.
W 8 Oct 21	Mini-presentations on pilot studies. Requirements for writing literature reviews/introductions. Analysing sample introductions. Synthesis, summary, your own point of view in the text. Hedging.	Write the 1 st draft of your literature review/introduction and submit it to your supervisor until Oct 30. Get feedback until Nov 4.
W 10 Nov 4	Plagiarism and ways to avoid it. Appropriate ways of acknowledging the sources. Issues of academic ethics. Data and methods section: requirements. Results and discussion: requirements. Ways to present results and discuss them.	Prepare a presentation on major trends in your research (results), try to interpret them in your own way and compare with other people's research.
W 12 Nov 18	Presentations on the results. In-class discussion. Conclusions section: requirements.	Write your data and methods section. Submit it to your supervisor until Nov 25. Get feedback until Dec 1.
W 14 Dec 2	Presentations on the results. In-class discussion. Conclusions section: main features and requirements.	Write the first draft of the whole paper. Submit it to your supervisor until Dec 16. Get feedback until Dec 23.
W 16 Dec 16	Preparation for the viva voce defence of your BA papers. The main criteria of evaluation. Summing up the course. Feedback on the course.	