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# Language, Culture and Communication - an education programme at Linnaeus University

Language, Culture and Communication is a three-year programme that leads to a Bachelor of Arts. The programme also gives students the possibility of advancing into further studies on Master level within a number of humanistic subjects. A distinctive and important element in the programme is the work placement period, which can be carried out either in Sweden or abroad.

The programme is geared towards students who wish to prepare themselves for an extensive labour market within the field of humanities. Future prospects and choice of occupation can differ somewhat between students, depending on how they choose to profile themselves within the programme. Employment can be found within different authorities, organisations, associations and companies such as culture administrations, museums, record offices, cultural centers and publishing houses. Other possible areas of employment could include working as a language consultant, translator or author, education coordinator for an adult education institute, researcher for media and other companies or working as a project officer for various culture projects and events. The programme can even open doors within the private sector, where, for example, a broad knowledge of language, or knowledge of cultural heritage, can sometimes be crucial.

#### Year 1: Subject studies

During the first year of the programme, students study the subject that they have chosen as their specialization subject. There are a number of subjects to choose from, five that specialize in language, as well as history, religion, film and literature.

#### Year 2: Further specialisation and projiling

During the second year, students are given guidance in how to work in project-mode, that is, how to plan, carry out and present an independent project. Furthermore, the students gain knowledge in economics, entrepreneurship and intercultural communication.

During their 4<sup>th</sup> semester, students are given the freedom to profile their education even further by freely choosing among courses available at Linnaeus University, at other seats of learning or abroad.

### Year 3: Specialisation ofknowledge as well as work placement

During the third year, specialisation subjects are further studied and students carry out an independent project (bachelor's essay).

The programme concludes with a work placement period where students are placed at a company, an organisation or authority, either in Sweden or abroad.

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## Internship

This part of the programme is carried out during the concluding sixth term.

Students of this programme are required to find, and carry out, a voluntary work placement of 15 weeks within a company, an organisation or authority.

The objective with work placement is to provide students with knowledge of how a company, an organisation or authority works, as well as how it is structured. Through then internship, students should also have the opportunity to try out, and improve upon, the knowledge and abilities they obtained from their education.

Another objective with the internship is to give students experience of seeking employment, to meet the labour market and to present their knowledge and proficiency to potential employers.

During the internship period, students are also required to prepare a work placement/project report that has to be presented both verbally and in writing once their work placement has been completed.

The internship term is a mandatory element of the programme; students will maintain their normal student grant and loan during this period. Students who wish to carry out their work placement abroad may be entitled to extra funds from the Swedish student aid, Centrala studiestödsnämnden (CSN), to cover the cost of travel expenses.

#### **Further information**

We would greatly appreciate a positive response to the applications sent by our students for an internship.

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