

**Inverse translation (Spanish-German)**

Code: 101318  
ECTS Credits: 6

Degree	Type	Year	Semester
2500249 Translation and Interpreting	OB	3	2

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**Use of languages**

Principal working language: (ger)  
Some groups entirely in English: No  
Some groups entirely in Catalan: No  
Some groups entirely in Spanish: No

**Prerequisites**

At the beginning of the course it is necessary for the student to be able to:

- \* Understand complex written texts of diverse typology from a wide range of fields appreciating stylistic and geographical differences.
- \* Produce written texts of diverse typology with some complexity on general subjects from a wide range of fields and more frequent registers.
- \* Understand oral texts of diverse typology with some complexity on general subjects from a wide range of fields and more frequent registers.
- \* Produce oral texts of diverse typology on general subjects from different fields.

The student will have Level C1.2 CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference) in German. Deutsch als Fremdsprache: Niveau C1.2 GeR (Gemeinsamer europäischer Referenzrahmen):  
The student can practically (almost) effortlessly understand everything he or she reads or hears, as long as they are oral or written variants of the standard language. You can filter information from various written and oral sources and write summaries of it, giving reasons and explanations in a coherent presentation. Can express him/herself spontaneously, fluently and accurately, and can also clarify nuances of meaning in more complex situations.

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**Objectives and Contextualisation**

At the end of the course the student will be able to:

- Demonstrate knowledge of the strategies and techniques of translation into the foreign language
- To apply this knowledge in order to translate texts specific to the non-technical reverse translation labour market.
- Collect and interpret data relating to reverse translation problems and make judgements on decisions taken

## Skills

- Applying cultural knowledge in order to translate.
- Mastering the main methodological principles of translation.
- Producing written texts in a foreign language in order to translate.
- Solving translation problems of non-specialised texts.
- Understanding written texts in language A in order to translate.
- Using documentation resources in order to translate.
- Using terminological resources in order to translate.

## Learning outcomes

1. Applying lexical, morphosyntactic, textual, rhetorical and linguistic variation related knowledge: Applying graphic, lexical, morphosyntactic, textual and linguistic variation related knowledge.
2. Applying lexical, morphosyntactic, textual, rhetorical and linguistic variation related knowledge: Applying graphical, lexical, morphosyntactic, textual, rhetorical and linguistic variation related knowledge.
3. Applying terminological resources in order to solve translation problems: Incorporating terminological resources in order to solve back translation-related problems of different types of non-specialised written texts, and specialised texts addressing non-specialised audiences.
4. Applying the documentation resources in order to solve translation problems: Applying the documentation resources in order to solve translation problems.
5. Appropriately following the different phases for the creation of a translation and carrying out the assigned tasks: Appropriately following the different phases for the creation of a back translation and carrying out the assigned tasks.
6. Comprehending the communicative purpose and sense of written texts of several fields: Comprehending the communicative purpose and sense of various types of non-specialised written texts and specialised texts addressing non-specialised audiences.
7. Finding the most appropriate translation solution in each case: Finding the most appropriate translation solution in each case.
8. Formulating the appropriate informative needs in order to translate: Formulating the appropriate informative needs in order to translate non-specialised texts in standard dialect.
9. Identifying the existing (digital and analogue) information sources in order to translate: Identifying the existing (digital and analogue) information sources in order to translate into the foreign language different types of non-specialised written texts and specialised texts addressing non-specialised audiences.
10. Identifying the specific translation problems of non-specialised texts: Identifying the specific back translation problems of different types of non-specialised texts and specialised texts addressed to non-specialised audiences.
11. Identifying the textual and dynamic nature of the translation equivalence: Identifying the textual and dynamic nature of the translation equivalence.
12. Implementing strategies in order to understand written texts from different fields: Applying strategies in order to comprehend various types of non-specialised written texts and specialised texts addressing non-specialised audiences.
13. Incorporating cultural knowledge in order to solve translation problems: Incorporating cultural knowledge in order to solve problems of back translation of different types of non-specialised written texts, and specialised texts addressing non-specialised audiences.
14. Successfully interrogating the documentation sources in order to translate: Successfully interrogating the documentation sources in order to translate into the foreign language different types of non-specialised written texts and specialised texts addressing non-specialised audiences.
15. Successfully interrogating the documentation sources in order to translate: Successfully interrogating the information sources in order to translate different kinds of non-specialised written texts with problems of linguistic variation and cultural references, and simple specialised texts from several fields.

16. Using the appropriate strategies and techniques in order to solve translation problems: Using the appropriate strategies and techniques in order to solve back translation problems of several types of non-specialised texts and specialised texts addressed to a non-specialised audiences.

## Content

Methodological principles governing the practice of reverse translation. Fundamental problems, techniques and strategies of reverse translation

The resolution of contrasting difficulties: differences in writing conventions, lexicons, morphosyntactic and textual.

Solving translation problems of non-specialized genres in standard language of different types: narrative, descriptive, expository, argumentative, instructive.

Solving translation problems arising from cultural references and linguistic variation (mode, tone and style)

Solving translation problems of specialized texts aimed at a non-specialized audience (administrative genres, etc.).

Use of basic technological tools and documentation for reverse translation.

## Methodology

Specific skills required for reverse translation will be developed: On the one hand, global competencies and foreign language communication skills, on the other hand, special language competencies in German as the Working Language for Translation, with special emphasis on those that are of pragmatic, intercultural and contrastive (AB) relevance.

The character of the subject is theoretical - practical and has an attendance of 40%. It will deal with the basics of textual analysis (linguistic and translational), reception in language A and textual production in language B. All knowledge, skills, strategies and activities of the subject will be developed through and by working with and on texts (standard models and current examples).

## Activities

Title	Hours	ECTS	Learning outcomes
Type: Directed			
Exercise check	15	0.6	
Master classes	20	0.8	
Translation activities	20	0.8	
Type: Supervised			
Preparing autoevaluation	5	0.2	
Preparing projects	5	0.2	
Preparing translation tasks	5	0.2	
Type: Autonomous			
Preparing projects	20	0.8	
Preparing translations and exercises	45	1.8	

## Evaluation

The function of the subject is to acquire the strategies and techniques of translation into the foreign language and to develop the ability to translate texts specific to the labour market from non-specialised reverse translation.

The information about the evaluation, the type of evaluation activity and its weight on the subject is for information purposes only. The teacher in charge of the subject will specify it at the beginning of the teaching.

### Revision

At the time of giving the final grade prior to the report, the faculty will communicate in the Campus a date and time of review. The review of the different assessment activities will be agreed between the teaching staff and the students.

### Repetition

Repetition is available to students who have presented themselves to activities the weight of which equals 66.6% (two-thirds) or more of the final grade and who have obtained a weighted grade of 3.5 or more.

At the time of giving the final grade prior to the course report, the teachers will communicate in writing the repetition of the test. The teaching staff may propose a recovery activity for each activity suspended or not presented or may group different activities.

### Consideration of "not evaluable".

A "non-assessable" will be assigned when the assessment evidence provided by the student equals no more than one-fourth of the total grade for the subject.

### Irregularities in assessment activities:

In case of irregularity (plagiarism, copying, impersonation, etc.) in an evaluation activity, the rating of this evaluation activity will be 0. In case of irregularities in various evaluation activities, the final grade of the subject will be 0.

Evaluation activities in which irregularities have occurred (such as plagiarism, copying, impersonation) are excluded from recovery.

## Evaluation activities

Title	Weighting	Hours	ECTS	Learning outcomes
Final translation test	40%	3	0.12	1, 2, 4, 3, 12, 6, 8, 11, 10, 13, 14, 15, 5, 7, 16
Oral defence of the translation project	10%	0	0	1, 2, 4, 3, 12, 6, 8, 11, 10, 9, 13, 14, 15, 5, 7, 16
Translation project	30%	0	0	1, 2, 4, 3, 12, 6, 8, 11, 10, 9, 13, 14, 15, 5, 7, 16
Weekly translation exercises	20%	2	0.08	1, 2, 4, 3, 12, 6, 8, 11, 10, 9, 13, 14, 15, 5, 7, 16

## Bibliography

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Nord, C., "Wer nimmt mal den ersten Satz?"; En: Truffaut, L. (Ed): La traduction professionnelle. Lausanne, Etienne Dolet 1999 (l'aplicació del concepte funcional a l'aprenentatge de la traducció)

#### Dictionaries:

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Duden Deutsche Sprache - schwere Sprache? ISBN: 3-411-70746-1

Der kleine Duden Band 1: Deutsches Wörterbuch ISBN: 3-411-04665-1

Der kleine Duden Band 5: Fremdwörterbuch ISBN: 3-411-04674-0

Duden - Das Synonymwörterbuch ISBN: 3-411-06375-0

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