

English Philology

STATE EXAM – written

GOALS of quality assessment of students' philological competence

We aim at assessment that:

- guides and encourages effective and innovative approaches to teaching/ learning;
- validly and reliably measures expected learning outcomes, in particular, the higher order knowledge and skills characterizing tertiary education;
- aims to assess students' overall course attainment, i.e. an integrated competence of all subject areas covered during the course of studies;
- focuses on assessment of students' ability to apply subject-specific knowledge and skills to practice;
- pursues high academic standards.

FORMAT

The exam consists of the following components:

Language

- Translation from English into Bulgarian – a text of approximately 20 lines
- Translation from Bulgarian into English - a text of approximately 20 lines

Analytical part:

- **Linguistics** – text-based analysis of language problems/ categories related to the linguistic disciplines studied during the course of studies;
- **Literature and culture** – text-based analysis of literature/ culture issues from the disciplines studied during the course of studies.

ADMINISTRATION

Two sessions of four academic hours each:

Morning session – 9.00 – 11.30

Translation from English into Bulgarian – 9.00 – 10.00
The Literature/ culture component – 10.00 – 11.30

Afternoon session – 13.00 – 15.30

Translation from Bulgarian into English – 13.00 – 14.00
The Linguistic component – 13.00 – 15.30

NB: This is an integrated test and students are required to do all components on the same day.

