

Moving forward with languages

Wednesday 19 November, online

Conference programme

Register for the workshops below via the links on the event schedule.

	TITLE	BLURB	UNIVERSITY
Workshop A	French: Understanding cultural analysis and improving listening skills with Netflix series Lupin	Explore how to approach cultural objects from a languages perspective and get tips on how to improve your listening skills.	University of Stirling
Workshop B	Mandarin: From translation fails to tiktok fame!	Exploring how AI translation tools both help and hilariously fail us, while discovering why bilingual creators are dominating social media through cultural understanding.	Heriot Watt University
Workshop C	German: pronunciation, pop and poems	Taking a closer look at pronunciation and language through German pop music and poems.	University of Glasgow
Workshop D	Multilingual: Level up your writing game	Sharing practical examples and tips that can be useful to refine writing skills not just while at school but also in future employment! Suitable for all language learners.	University of Glasgow

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Workshop E	Spanish: Travelling Words	Taking a closer look at words that 'travelled' from Latin America to Spain (and other European countries).	University of Dundee
Workshop F	French: What French biscuits can teach us about pronunciation, translation, and culture	Do you know why Lu biscuits are called <i>Petits écoliers</i> in France and <i>Le Petit chocolat</i> in the UK? In this workshop, you'll figure it out! Talking about biscuits will also allow us to explore French pronunciation, art, and culture together.	University of St Andrews
Workshop G	Arabic: An introduction to Arabic	An introduction to Arabic for complete beginners. We will look at the Arabic alphabet and sounds, and some words that you may or may not know have come to us from (or through) Arabic.	University of Edinburgh

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Workshop H	German: Is that even German?	From Gemütlichkeit to Znüni — some words can't be translated, and some don't even sound like the German you've learned in class! This workshop invites you to explore the cultural richness and variety of German, while discovering how your language skills can open doors to new experiences and opportunities.	University of Edinburgh
Workshop J	Spanish: Just how far can languages take you?	Do we think differently in different languages? What do the words we use tell us about how we see the world? This workshop will take us on a journey to the forests of the far south of Chile and ask you to think about why translation is often harder than simply finding the right word. <i>You do not need to understand Spanish to participate in the workshop.</i>	Heriot Watt University
Workshop K	French: Words and beyond - the H factor in interpretation	Find out all about what human interpreters actually do, where and how they work, and most importantly why having the H factor makes them better than automated alternatives.	Heriot Watt University

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Workshop L	Multilingual: How does a language boost your skills and employability?	Language degrees give you a range of specialist and transferable skills – not just through academic work, but also experience-based learning, from classes with native speakers to the residence abroad. Find out which sectors hire language graduates (hint: only 7% go into teaching and translating) and why they earn the highest incomes in the Arts and Humanities.	University of Aberdeeen
Workshop M	Multilingual: AI & Translation: the Good, the Bad and the Ugly	AI translates fast. Humans translate meaning. We'll look at why that still matters.	University of Strathclyde