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In winter term 2018/2019, she teaches the following courses at the Institute of Foreign Languages:

**ELT methodology for primary education students (ELT methodology 3)**

This course focuses on the basic principles of ELT methodology, especially on teaching English as a foreign language to young learners. The students learn about the main principles of the communicative approach to teaching English at the primary level of compulsory education.

**Teaching English to very young learners**

This course deals with a range of aspects related to teaching English as a foreign language to very young learners, i.e. between the ages of approximately 5 to 9. The attention is paid to how children think and learn, teaching methodologies, teaching resources, English across curriculum, and management skills for teachers.