LATEX for linguists - a beginner's guide

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Tired of relabelling all of your 150 examples manually every time you open your thesis document? Want to do it the right way and create your very own beautiful tables, write glosses without all the nerve-wracking formatting? Then hop on and join our workshop!

In this beginners' workshop, we want to cover the basics of setting up your document to write a term paper or thesis in LATEX. Obviously, this includes a proper title page and tables of contents, figures and all your beautiful tables. We will look at sectioning, type setting, creating different types of lists and including symbols in your text. We will also introduce you to the perks of citing and creating automatic lists of references with LATEX.

Beyond the type setting, however, we want to leave our focus open and therefore involve you, the participants, more and adapt our programme accordingly. In concrete terms, this means that you will set the focus on more specific topics and tell us what exactly you need for your LATEX project in a survey.

Potentially relevant topics might include but are not limited to tables – the intricacies of combining rows and columns, labelling your tables for further reference in text –, following specific scientific writing standards (APA, MLA...), glosses based on the Leipzig Glossing Rules, syntactic trees, semantic formulae etc. Based on the survey results, we will have a look at what LATEX has to offer for your specific needs.

At the end of the workshop, we will provide you with a template for writing term papers and theses, which contains everything covered in the workshop and which you can adjust to your own needs and your teachers' requirements.

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