

## SYLLABUS OF COURSE Introduction to Linguistics

| Basic information of the course |  |  |
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| Academic unit:                  | Faculty of Philology, University "Ukshin Hoti" Prizren   |  |
| Course name:                    | Introduction to Linguistics  |  |
| Study program:                  | English language and literature  |  |
| Level:                          | Bachelor   |  |
| Course status:                  | Obligatory   |  |
| Study year:                     | I  |  |
| Number of hours per week:       | 2+3 (lectures and exercises)   |  |
| Credit value - ECTS:            | 7  |  |
| Time / location:                | Faculty of Philology   |  |
| Lecturers:                      | Prof.ass.dr. Teuta Agaj Avdiu  |  |
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| Course description:             | This course will help increase the students' awareness of major areas<br>of linguistics, its universality, diversity, complexity as well as its<br>social significance.<br>The course introduces students to the field of linguistics, by<br>exposing them to its core subdisciplines: phonetics (the study of<br>sounds and their production), phonology (the psychological<br>representation and pattern of sounds), morphology (the structure<br>of words), syntax (the structure of sentences), semantics (the<br>meaning), and pragmatics (the use in context). Additional topics<br>to be addressed include first language acquisition and second<br>language acquisition that provide the main language learning<br>concepts and theories covered by applied linguistics, and brain<br>and language as a topic that explains how language is processed<br>in the brain. |  |
| Course objectives:              | <ul> <li>This course aims to provide:</li> <li>an up-to-date introduction to the study of linguistics, the discipline that investigates the acquisition, production, and comprehension of language;</li> <li>an awareness of the language phenomenon, through themes such as, the relations between language and the brain, the process of producing sounds, words, syntactic structure, and meaning;</li> <li>an analysis of the pragmatic outcomes of language;</li> <li>an introduction of the social and cultural effects on communication;</li> <li>a definition and elaboration of first and second language acquisition.</li> </ul>   |  |
|                                 | On completion of the course, students will be able to:   |  |
| Learning outcomes:              | <ul> <li>explain the main properties of human languages;</li> <li>analyze linguistic concepts in terms of the core<br/>subdisciplines of linguistics namely phonetics, phonology,<br/>morphology, syntax, semantics and pragmatics;</li> <li>demonstrate a good understanding of the concepts and<br/>theories concerning the said core subdisciplines of<br/>linguistics and use it in discussions about the linguistic</li> </ul>  |  |



|   | <ul> <li>phenomena;</li> <li>explain the major theories in the first and the second language acquisition;</li> <li>apply knowledge and skills gained during the course to further develop their linguistic competence and use it to increase their level of language proficiency;</li> </ul> |               |                             |  |  |
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| Contribution on student load (must correspond with learning outcomes) |  |               |                             |  |  |
| Activity  | Hours  | Day/w         |                             |  |  |
| Lectures  | 2  | 15            | 30                          |  |  |
| Exercise theoretical/laboratory                                       | 3  | 15            | 45                          |  |  |
| Practice work   |  |               |                             |  |  |
| Contact with lecturer/consultations                                   | 2  | 15            | 30                          |  |  |
| Field exercises   |  |               |                             |  |  |
| Midterms, seminars  | 2  | 2             | 4                           |  |  |
| Laboratory exercises  |  |               |                             |  |  |
| Individual time spent studying (at the library or home)               | 2  | 15            | 30                          |  |  |
| Final preparation for the exam  | 2  | 15            | 30                          |  |  |
| Time spent in evaluation (tests, quiz, final exam)                    | 2  | 3             | 6                           |  |  |
| Projects, presentations, etc.   |  |               |                             |  |  |
| Total   |  |               | 175 hours (7 ECTS)          |  |  |
| Teaching methods:   | Lectures, class exercises, pair work, group work, homework, quizzes and tests.   |               |                             |  |  |
|   | Participation and involvement in the learning process 10%<br>Assignment 20%<br>First test 35%<br>Second test 35%   |               |                             |  |  |
|   | Evaluation i   | in %          | Final grade                 |  |  |
| Assessment methods:   | 0-50   |               | 5                           |  |  |
|   | 61-70  |               | 6 7                         |  |  |
|   | 71-80  |               | 8                           |  |  |
|   | 71-80  |               | 8                           |  |  |
|   | <u>81-90</u><br>91-100   |               | <u> </u>                    |  |  |
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| Literature  |  |               |                             |  |  |
| Basic Literature:   |  | e Study of La | nguage. New York: Cambridge |  |  |
| Dasit Litti atui t.   | University Press.  |               |                             |  |  |



|                        | O'Grady, W. & Archibald, J. (eds). (2016). Contemporary<br>Linguistic Analysis: An Introduction (8 <sup>th</sup> ed.). Toronto: Pearson.<br>Fasold, R. W. & Connor-Linton, J. (2013). An<br>Introduction to Language and Linguistics. New York,<br>NY: Cambridge University Press.<br>Akmajian, A., Demers, R.A., Farmer, A.K., & Harnish,<br>R.H. (2010). Linguistics: An Introduction to Language<br>and Communication. Massachusetts, MA: The MIT<br>Press. |
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| Additional Literature: | Radford, A., Atkinson, M., Britain, D., Clahsen, H., & Spencer,<br>A. (2009). Linguistics: An Introduction. New York, NY:<br>Cambridge University Press.   |

| Study plan:      |   |                                      |  |  |
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| Week             | Lectures                                | Exercises                            |  |  |
| First week:      | Introduction to Linguistics             | Introduction to Linguistics          |  |  |
| Second week:     | Phonetics                               | Phonetics                            |  |  |
| Third week:      | Phonology                               | Phonology                            |  |  |
| Fourth week:     | Word formation                          | Word formation                       |  |  |
| Fifth week:      | Morphology                              | Morphology                           |  |  |
| Sixth week:      | Grammar                                 | Grammar                              |  |  |
| Seventh week:    | Syntax                                  | Syntax                               |  |  |
| Eighth week:     | First test                              | Exercises                            |  |  |
| Ninth week:      | Semantics                               | Semantics                            |  |  |
| Tenth week:      | Pragmatics                              | Pragmatics                           |  |  |
| Eleventh week:   | Language and the brain                  | Language and the brain               |  |  |
| Twelfth week:    | First language acquisition              | First language acquisition           |  |  |
| Thirteenth week: | Second language<br>acquisition/learning | Second language acquisition/learning |  |  |
| Fourteenth week: | Language varieties                      | Language varieties                   |  |  |
| Fifteenth week:  | Second test                             | Exercises                            |  |  |
|                  | Academic policies and rules o           | f conduct:                           |  |  |

Students are obliged to comply with the code and conduct of the University of Prizren. Any suspected violation of the Code shall be referred to the University officials for further proceeding.