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## English Linguistics : Pragmatics (2AN1101)

Filières concernées	Nombre d'heures	Validation	Crédits ECTS
<b>Pilier principal B A - langue et littérature anglaises</b>	<b>Séminaire: 2 ph</b>	<b>cont. continu</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Pilier principal M A - sciences du langage et de la communication</b>	<b>Séminaire: 2 ph</b>	<b>cont. continu</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Pilier secondaire B A - langue et littérature anglaises</b>	<b>Séminaire: 2 ph</b>	<b>cont. continu</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Pilier secondaire M A - sciences du langage et de la communication</b>	<b>Séminaire: 2 ph</b>	<b>cont. continu</b>	<b>5</b>

ph=période hebdomadaire, pg=période globale, j=jour, dj=demi-jour, h=heure, min=minute

### Période d'enseignement:

- Semestre Automne

### Equipe enseignante:

Dr. Dorota Smyk-Bhattacharjee

### Objectifs:

The aim of this seminar is to provide an up-to-date and comprehensive account of central topics in the fascinating field of pragmatics and to introduce students to the latest research in this field as well as the tools of the trade.

### Contenu:

How come that a sentence It is hot in here is ambiguous and without the contextual information it is difficult to infer its meaning with confidence? We do not always say what we mean. How, then, do we manage to understand each other? Why don't we just say what we mean? These and many other questions will be addressed in our "Pragmatics" seminar. Rather than examining language as an abstract system, the focus in this course will be on language in use. We will read and discuss a selection of influential studies in the field and get a hands-on experience by applying some of the tools and methods learned in a small-scale research of our own.

Some of the topics we will be concerned with include different levels of meaning, speaker's intentions, interpretation and understanding of utterances, context, deixis, reference, conversational implicature, presupposition and politeness.

### Forme de l'évaluation:

Oral presentation of the research project - 50%; a short written paper, (2500 words for the BA students, 4000 words for the MA students, to be handed in two weeks after the end of the semester) - 50 %

Retake: written paper - 100%

### Documentation:

Reading material for the sessions, and additional course information will be made available on Claroline.

### Forme de l'enseignement:

Séminaire.