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Practical Language (2AN1001)

Filières concernées	Nombre d'heures	Validation	Crédits ECTS
Pilier principal B A - langue et littérature anglaises	Atelier: 2 ph	Voir ci-dessous	5
Pilier secondaire B A - langue et littérature anglaises	Atelier: 2 ph	Voir ci-dessous	5

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

Période d'enseignement:

- Semestre Printemps, Semestre Automne

Equipe enseignante

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Practical Language hones students' ability to interpret spoken and written discourse and to express themselves with greater confidence in both speech and writing. The course offers learners the opportunity to think critically about the theory and functioning of the language as well as to examine language in use in a variety of authentic texts and digital materials drawn freely from across varied English-speaking cultures and beyond. Students can enhance their applied linguistic skills by analysing different types of texts and genres (literary, journalistic or other), researching the cultural references which underpin them, and exploring the broader issues which they raise. The course is immediately relevant to students' practice of the language and an essential resource for those who go on to teach.

COMPETENCES TRANSFERABLES

Develop critical thinking and independent study skills

Master relevant resources such as print and online dictionaries and audio-visual material

Manage small-scale research projects and their findings

Improve oral and written expression in academic and professional contexts

Forme de l'évaluation

Continuous assessment: two 2-hour written tests (50% each) near the end of each semester (dates and times to be announced). Rattrapage by one 2-hour written test (100%) at the time of the following FLSH exam session (only possible if the two regular in-course tests have already been attempted). Students should be aware that a key component of the course is the completion of regular assignments throughout the year, without which they will not be fully able to participate in the class.

Documentation

Course materials are distributed in class and posted on the Practical Language Moodle site for download.

Pré-requis

Before beginning this course, students need to have reached a level in English of at least B2 (Common European Framework), the equivalent of the Cambridge First Certificate Examination.

Forme de l'enseignement

Workshop: language analysis of authentic texts and digital materials; discussion of language points and aspects of English-speaking culture that arise from the sources.

Objectifs d'apprentissage

Au terme de la formation l'étudiant-e doit être capable de :

- Express opinions on a number of topical issues, in writing and in speech
- Identify and use different registers of language and levels of formality
- Distinguish different grammatical categories and constructions and analyse their behaviour in context
- Examine and discuss different types of texts (literary, journalistic or other)
- Explore some of the challenges of second language learning and teaching