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Lecture course 1: Advanced Linguistics: Sociolinguistics (2AN1487)

Filières concernées	Nombre d'heures	Validation	Crédits ECTS
Pilier B A - langue et littérature anglaises	Cours: 2 ph	Voir ci-dessous	6

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

Période d'enseignement:

- Semestre Automne

Equipe enseignante

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Sociolinguistics is a broad field of studies that explores the relationship between language and society. A substantial portion of the field focuses on the fact that people speak differently depending on many sociological factors such as age, gender, social class, education, or geographical areas.

In this course, we will discuss how these differences can be studied and we will consider multiple types of quantitative and qualitative approaches, with a focus on the study of English and on variationist approaches. Furthermore, we will also discuss other aspects of the field, such as the study of language contact, multilingualism, attitudes, and politeness.

Forme de l'évaluation

Getting the credits for this course involves three assignments.

First, there will be regular reading assignments, and the students will be expected to take online quizzes on Moodle (20% of the final grade).

Second, the students will be expected to participate in a group project (2-3 members) where they create a short podcast (5 minutes) on one of the topics covered in class. These podcasts will be evaluated by the other participants and by the teacher, with equal weight (20% of the final grade).

Third, a written exam (closed-book, 2 hours) will be held during the examination period. You will be given precise information about the content of this exam during the semester (60% of the final grade).

In case of a "bascule à distance", the exam will be adapted based on faculty guidelines for written exams during the examination period.

Modalités de rattrapage

The rattrapage exam is a written exam with the same conditions as the first exam described above. In case of a "rattrapage", the exam fully determines the new grade.

In case of a "bascule à distance", the exam will be adapted based on faculty guidelines for written exams during the examination period.

Documentation

Course material will be made available through Moodle.

Pré-requis

Introduction to English linguistics

Forme de l'enseignement

Students are expected to attend classes regularly and to read the materials provided on Moodle. In case of a "bascule à distance", the course will be streamed and recorded, and the exam will be adapted based on faculty guidelines for written exams during the examination period.

Objectifs d'apprentissage

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

- Extraire les informations pertinentes de textes complexes sur les thèmes linguistiques
- Développer une réflexion critique sur des idées reçues concernant les bases des théories, principes, hypothèses et explications dans le domaine donné

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- Expliquer les modèles théoriques liés au domaine d'analyse donné
- Présenter les idées thématisées dans la recherche à un public spécialisé et non spécialisé
- Identifier les fondements des théories, principes, hypothèses et explications dans le domaine donné

Compétences transférables

- Développer une argumentation avec un esprit critique
- Présenter des idées complexes avec clarté et précision