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ΠΑΝΕΠΙΣΤΗΜΙΟ ΛΕΥΚΩΣΙΑΣ

University of Nicosia, Cyprus

Course Code LALI-141	Course Title General Linguistics	ECTS Credits 6
Department Languages and Literature	Semester Spring	Prerequisites LALI-140
Type of Course Required	Field Linguistics	Language of Instruction English
Level of Course 1 st Cycle	Year of Study 1 st	Lecturer(s) Dr Maria Kogetsidis
Mode of Delivery Distance learning	Work Placement N/A	Co-requisites None

Objectives of the Course:

The course aims to enable students to gain a deeper understanding of the nature of English language and linguistic theory and practice, as well as the terms, methods and points of view in general and applied linguistics.

Learning Outcomes:

After completion of the course students are expected to be able:

1. to discuss and critically analyse main ideas from various areas in the field of linguistics,
2. to apply the basic practical skills of phonological, morphological, and syntactic analysis by working intensively with data in English language,
3. to demonstrate an of some of the ‘applied’ areas of language study,
4. to engage in reviewing the relevant academic literature in relation to the topics covered.

Course Contents:

1. The Origins of language
2. The Classification of languages
3. The Development of writing
4. The Properties of language - Animals and human language
5. Syntax

6. Grammar
7. Morphology
8. Linguistic meaning, use & context: Semantics & Pragmatics
9. First Language Acquisition
10. Second Language Acquisition
11. Language and the Brain
12. Discourse analysis

Teaching Methods:

Lectures, Discussions with class participation and Assignment

Assessment Methods:

Mid-Term Exam; Final Exam; Assignment; Class Participation.

Required Textbooks:

Authors	Title	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Yule, George	<i>The Study of Language</i>	Cambridge University Press	2004	05215685IX

Recommended Textbooks/Reading:

Authors	Title	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Fromkin, Victoria, Rodman Robert and Hyams Nina	<i>An Introduction to Language</i>	Thomson Heinle	2003	2002069080
O'Grady William, Dobrovolsky Michael and Katamba Francis	<i>Contemporary Linguistics – An Introduction</i>	Longman	1996	0582246911

