



Course Syllabus

Course Code LALI-261DL	Course Title English Morphology and Syntax	ECTS Credits 6
Prerequisites LALI-160DL	Department Languages and Literature	Semester Spring
Type of Course Required	Field Linguistics	Language of Instruction English
Level of Course 1st Cycle	Lecturer Dr Anna-Maria Andreou	Year of Study 2nd
Mode of Delivery Distance Learning	Work Placement N/A	Corequisites None

Course Objectives:

The main objectives of the course are to:

- Introduce students to the meaning and structure of English words and to structural and functional properties of English sentences;
- Provide an understanding of the foundations of morphology and syntax as applied to the study of the English language;
- Discuss the rules of word-formation, types of morphemes (derivational and inflectional), allomorphs and allophones, as well as the relationship between syntax and morphology;
- Discuss the classification of words into syntactic categories, and how words can be combined into phrases and phrases into sentences;
- Introduce the notion of constituent movement;
- Discuss the function of words and phrases in the sentence as well as different verb complementation types.

Learning Outcomes:

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

1. Use meta-language in the area of morphology and clause syntax;
2. Identify the different parts which make up a word (internal structure of words);
3. Offer an analysis of words (morphological analysis, morphological tree);
4. Mark the difference between words and nonwords and to explain why certain combinations are not well-formed (nonwords) referring to specific word formation rules;
5. Analyze phrases in the X-bar format(head vs. complement vs. specifier);
6. Analyze clauses in the X-bar format (finite and nonfinite clauses).

Course Content:

1. Introduction to X-bar syntax
2. The structure of phrases (head vs. complement vs. specifier)
3. The structure of clauses
4. Finite and nonfinite clauses
5. Morphemes vs. morphs
6. Morphological vs. morphemic analysis
7. Free and bound morphs/ free and bound roots
8. Derivational affixes vs. inflectional suffixes
9. Word-formation rules (agglutinative rule, fusional rule, null realization rule, zero rule)
10. The morphology of the English verb and the verb complex

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

PPT presentations, videos, readings, forums, and chats, short exercises involving data analysis, planning and executing a piece of rigorous enquiry (writing assignment).

Assessment Methods:

1 writing assignment, activities, online participation, final exam.

Required Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Morphology (2nd edition)	Francis Katamba & John Stonham	Palgrave Macmillan	2006	1403916446
Transformational Grammar: A First Course	Radford, Andrew	Cambridge University Press	1999	0521347505

Recommended Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
The Teacher's Grammar of	Ron Cowan	Cambridge University	2008	978-0521007559

English: A coursebook and reference guide		Press		
A Student's Introduction to English Grammar	Rodney Huddleston and Geoffrey K. Pullum	Cambridge University Press	2005	978-0521612883
Modern English Structures: Form, Function, and Position 2nd Ed	Bernard T. O'Dwyer	Broadview Press	2006	9781551117638
The Structure of Modern English – A Linguistic Introduction	Laurel J. Brinton	John Benjamins	2000	1556196628
Syntax – A Generative Introduction	Andrew Carnie	Blackwell	2002	0631225447
Syntax – A Minimalist Introduction	Andrew Radford	Cambridge University Press	1997	9780521589147
Syntax: A Linguistics Introduction to Sentence Structure	E. K. Brown, James V. Miller	Roulade	1991	978-0044455615
An Introduction to English Language: Word, Sound and Sentence	Koenraad Kuiper and W. Scott Allan	Palgrave Macmillan	2004	978-0333984642
An Introduction to English Sentence Structure	Radford, Andrew	Cambridge University Press	2009	978-0521731904
An Introductory English Grammar	Norman C. Stageberg, Dallin D. Oaks	Cengage Learning	1999	978-0030183843

