

27829 - EFL Acquisition and Learning

Información del Plan Docente

Academic Year	2018/19
Subject	27829 - EFL Acquisition and Learning
Faculty / School	103 - Facultad de Filosofía y Letras
Degree	416 - Degree in English
ECTS	6.0
Year	3
Semester	First semester
Subject Type	Compulsory
Module	---

1.General information

1.1.Aims of the course

1.2.Context and importance of this course in the degree

1.3.Recommendations to take this course

2.Learning goals

2.1.Competences

2.2.Learning goals

2.3.Importance of learning goals

3.Assessment (1st and 2nd call)

3.1.Assessment tasks (description of tasks, marking system and assessment criteria)

4.Methodology, learning tasks, syllabus and resources

4.1.Methodological overview

This is an enquiry-based course, designed to encourage the students' learning autonomy. It is also expected that the students get involved in both individual and group tasks. In these tasks the students will need to engage in analysis and critical reflection of SLA and SLL-related key concepts and issues and demonstrate his/her skills in critical thinking, autonomy, decision taking, problem solving and self-assessment.

4.2.Learning tasks

This is a 6 ECTS (150 hours) course organized as follows:

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- **Lectures** (1.2 ECTS). Enquiry-based activities dealing with key concepts and issues related to SLL and SLA fields: second language acquisition of English, learner language, internal and external factors of language learning, individual differences in second language learning and second language classroom instruction.
- **Seminar on "Research methods in SLA/SLL"** (0.6 ECTS). This seminar will focus on the main research methods in the fields of Second Language Acquisition and Second Language learning. The students will engage both in individual and group work. The aim of the seminar is to take a close look at different research methods and assess their value for examining both formal and non-formal foreign language learning processes.
- **Individual and group assessment tasks** (0.6 ECTS). These tasks will involve analysis and problem-solving skills. They will be done individually and the outcomes will be discussed and agreed on with the group and with the whole class.
- **Supervised activities** (0.6 ECTS). Onsite and online. These activities will involve critical reflection tasks, both individually and in small groups. Individual tasks will be supervised and assessed on an ongoing basis. Techniques for effective group work will also be given.
- **Autonomous work** (2.2 ECTS). Compulsory reading, participation using the online learning platform. Individual work, search for library and electronic resources and use of Moodle.
- **Assessment tasks** (0.1 ECTS).

4.3.Syllabus

The course will address the following topics:

- Topic 1. What is Second Language Acquisition (SLA)?
- Topic 2. External factors in SLA.
- Topic 3. Internal factors in SLA.
- Topic 4. Individual differences in SLA.
- Topic 5. Classroom teaching and SLL.

4.4.Course planning and calendar

Classes will take place twice a week as arranged in the official calendar of the Faculty.

Further information concerning the timetable, classroom, office hours, assessment dates and other details regarding this course, will be provided on the first day of class or please refer to the Faculty of Philosophy and Arts website (academic calendar: <http://academico.unizar.es/calendario-academico/calendario>, timetable: <https://fyl.unizar.es/horario-de-clases#overlay-context=horario-de-clases>; assessment dates: <https://fyl.unizar.es/calendario-de-examenes#overlay-context=>)

4.5.Bibliography and recommended resources