

## 27971 - General Linguistics I

### Syllabus Information

**Academic year:** 2023/24  
**Subject:** 27971 - General Linguistics I  
**Faculty / School:** 103 - Facultad de Filosofía y Letras  
**Degree:** 579 - Degree in Classics  
**ECTS:** 6.0  
**Year:** 1  
**Semester:** First semester  
**Subject type:** Basic Education  
**Module:**

#### 1. General information

Linguistics is the science that studies language and languages. As such, this is the cornerstone subject on which to develop a deeper understanding of the role and relevance of multimodal language in communication and cognition, as well as the linguistic characterization and use of languages in sociocultural contexts. It is a basic training subject for anyone interested in philological and linguistic studies. Part I focuses on a global and comprehensive view of linguistics, language and languages.

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Requirements: advanced instrumental command of the Spanish language (Spanish B2 for non-native students); regular use of the *Anillo Digital Docente* (central tool for documentation and evaluation).

#### 2. Learning results

The student, in order to pass this subject, must demonstrate the following results:

- To understand and know the nature of linguistics as a scientific discipline.
- To understand the nature of language as a human phenomenon and the various perspectives of scientific study that address it.
- To know the distribution of languages in the world today and the various proposals for their typological and genealogical classification.
- To know the basis of the study of the development, processing and evolution of human language.

#### 3. Syllabus

Unit 1. Linguistics as a science

Unit 2. Languages

Unit 3. Human language

#### 4. Academic activities

The learning process is based on (i) directed activities: participatory lectures (theoretical-practical) in the classroom consisting of the teacher's exposition and explanation of the most relevant aspects of linguistics as a discipline and the active participation of students (questions, presentation of data, etc.); (ii) autonomous activities: programmed tasks (activities, exercises, bibliographic work, use of the virtual environment) of students to put into practice and deepen the theoretical-practical aspects acquired in the classroom.; (iii) autonomous activities: programmed tasks (activities, exercises, bibliographic work, use of the virtual environment) of the students to put into practice and deepen the theoretical-practical aspects acquired in the classroom; and (iii) supervised activities: individual and group tutorials, advice and help with any aspect of the subject.

#### 5. Assessment system

I. First call

Global evaluation test (date set in the academic calendar)

a) Characteristics: (i) final exam (90%): short questions on theoretical-practical contents; passed 4.5/9; (ii) complementary activities (10%): attendance at the Zaragoza Linguistics Seminar or viewing (deferred/streaming) and critical review of video-talk from the multimodal repository *Zaragoza Lingüística a la Carta*; passed 1/1. If any of these parts are missing or not passed, the evaluation of the subject will be NOT PASSED.

b) Assessment criteria: Knowledge of (i) the basic foundations of linguistics and its scientific methodology, (ii) the nature of human language as a cognitive capacity and its function as a tool for social communication, and (iii) the distribution of languages and their varieties in the world, as well as the ability to solve linguistic problems from different theoretical frameworks will be evaluated.

Second call: identical to the first call.