

27972 - General Linguistics II

Syllabus Information

Academic year: 2023/24

Subject: 27972 - General Linguistics II

Faculty / School: 103 - Facultad de Filosofía y Letras

Degree: 579 - Degree in Classics

ECTS: 6.0

Year: 1

Semester: Second semester

Subject type: Basic Education

Module:

1. General information

Linguistics is defined as the most human of the sciences and the most scientific of the humanities. The central objective is to present students with an updated view of how the science of language has characterized and explained the structure of human language and the way in which natural languages are acquired, used and transformed, as well as their integration into society and culture. This part II focuses on the structural aspects of human languages.

These approaches and objectives are aligned with the following Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): - Goal 4: Quality education; Goal 5: Gender equality; Goal 10: Reduction of Inequalities. - Goal 16: Peace, justice and strong institutions. - Goal 17: Alliances to Achieve Objectives.

2. Learning results

1. To understand and know the nature of grammatical theory as a scientific discipline.
2. To know the main theoretical tools and current trends in the study of languages and their different levels of structuring.
3. To understand the scope and implications of internal and external language diversity and variation.
4. To understand, interrelate and apply theoretical linguistic knowledge to practical linguistic analysis.

3. Syllabus

Unit 1. The sounds of language: phonetics and phonology.

Unit 2. The structure of languages: morphology and syntax

Unit 3. The study of meaning in languages: semantics and pragmatics

4. Academic activities

The program offers the students help to achieve the expected results and comprises the following activities:

-Guided activities.

Participative master classes (theoretical-practical) in the classroom. Presentation, discussion and clarification of doubts on theoretical and practical aspects of the program contents.

-Supervised activities.

Individual and group tutoring. -Advice and help regarding any aspect of the subject.

Autonomous activities:

Bibliographic work, readings and tests corresponding to the units of the program, as well as the use of the virtual learning environment.

5. Assessment system

First Call

Global evaluation test (to be taken on the date established in the academic calendar).

A) Characteristics: the evaluation of General Linguistics II consists of two compulsory parts: a final exam (90%) and complementary activities (10%). The exam will include questions on all theoretical material and practical activities. The complementary activities consist of attending the lecture series of the Zaragoza Linguistics Seminar or, alternatively, viewing and critically reviewing a video-talk from the multimodal repository Zaragoza Linguistics on Demand. If any of these parts are missing, the evaluation of the subject will be NOT PASSED.

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

Second call

Global evaluation test (to be held on the date established in the academic calendar): same structure and evaluation criteria as in the first call.