

Name of university, Name of faculty: Trnava University
Faculty of Education

INFORMATION SHEET OF THE SUBJECT

Code: RSAJ101		Name: Basics of Linguistics	
Cover: Department of English Language and Literature			
Type of educational activity: Lecture Scope of educational activity (in hours): Weekly: 2 For term of study: ZS 46 Method of educational activity: Combined		Number of credits: 1	Recommended semester: WT Study grade: Bachelor
Recommended semester	Study programme		
1.year WT	Teaching English and literature as the third subject (RSAJ)		
Underlie subjects:			
Conditions for passing the course: Method of evaluation: Completion by taking an examination Continuous evaluation: A condition for the course's continual evaluation is a portfolio of assignments based on self-study and independent work in teams. This part includes self-study of professional and scientific sources, development and presentation of own presentation in a team, evaluation of presentations and other outputs of other team members, development of practical tasks for the development of research and digital competences, continuous completion of self-diagnostic online tests, preparation for self-diagnostic tests and final exam). Each lecture is usually accompanied by 1 assignment in LMS Moodle. Students will receive 50 points for completing the portfolio according to the assignment requirements. Students will not receive points for an incomplete or deficient portfolio. Final evaluation: The prerequisite for enrolment in the exam is the submission of a complete portfolio (50 points) in the e-learning course (Moodle). The final exam takes the form of a written test (for students with special needs, an oral test is possible). Scale for assessment of the test: 50 - 46 - A 45 - 41 - B 40 - 36 - C 35 - 31 - D 30 - 26 - E 25 and less = Fx Scale of the final (overall) assessment of the course (portfolio + test): 100 - 96 - A 95 - 91 - B 90 - 86 - C 85 - 81 - D 80 - 76 - E 75 and less = Fx Finished:			
Learning outcomes: The student will become acquainted with language functions, basic linguistic terminology of the individual language levels from synchronic a diachronic viewpoints. The knowledge acquired in the course will be used in the study of English morphology, syntax, lexicology, stylistics, or in the study of other linguistic disciplines.			
Schedule of subject: 1. Language: definition, basic terms and relationships 2. Languages in the world. 3. Linguistics. General Linguistics 4. Applied Linguistics 5. The sound & shape of language. Spoken & Written Languages 6. The form of the language. Language structures. 7. Meaning in Words. Words. Lexicon. 8. Human vs. Animal Communication. 9. Human Languages & Machines 10. Language and Brain. Language Acquisition. Bilingual and Multilingual Education. 11. Information Sources for Linguistic Study. 12. Final Evaluation			
Recommended reading: Pokrivčáková, S. (2023). Basics of Linguistics. Trnava: TU. Pokrivčáková, S. - Kocianová, L. (2023). Basics of Linguistics: Audiobooks. Trnava: TU. Yule, G. 2020. The Study of Language. (7th Edition). Cambridge University Press. Virtual Liguistic Campus (online) any textbook (both print and e-books) of general and applied linguistics			

Language requirements: English					
Notes: Structure of study load: full-time lectures = 13 hours portfolio development (Moodle) = 12 hours preparation for the exam (self-study) = 50 hours Total: 75 hours					
Course evaluation: Assessed students in total: 0					
A	B	C	D	E	FX
0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Lecturers: prof. PaedDr. Silvia Pokrivčáková, PhD., lecturer, examiner, instructor, seminary supervisor					
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