

COURSE OUTLINE

1. GENERAL

INSTRUCTOR	VINA TSAKALI			
SCHOOL	PHILOSOPHY			
SEMESTER	FALL			
DEPARTMENT	PHILOLOGY-SECTION OF LINGUISTICS			
LEVEL	UNDERGRADUATE SEMINAR			
COURSE CODE	GLOF 313 CYCLE OF STUDY 3 rd and 4 th			
COURSE TITLE	DIFFERENCES BETWEEN L1 AND L2			
AUTONOMOUS EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES		TEACHING HOURS PER WEEK	CREDITS/ECTS	
IN CLASS LECTURES		3	10	
COURSE TYPE Background, General knowledge, Scientific discipline, Development of Proficiencies PREREQUISITIES	SCIENTIFIC DISCIPLINE, DEVELOPMENT OF PROFICIENCIES GLOF 137, GLOF 165			
TEACHING AND EXAM LANGUAGE	ENGLISH (GREEK if no English speakers enroll)			
AVAILABLE TO ERASMUS STUDENTS	YES			
WEBSITE (URL)	https://elearn.uoc.gr/			

2. LEARNING OUTCOMES

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Upon successful completion of this course students should be able to:

- 1. Demonstrate knowledge on issues related to theories on Second Language Acquisition (SLA) and the interphase of first (L1) and second language (L2).
- 2. Examine specific issues related to syntax, phonology morphology and semantics in SLA
- 3. Analyze significant research results on morphological development in SLA
- 4. Describe and evaluate the differences between L1 and L2.
- 5. Evaluate research methodological issues on Second Language Learning
- **6.** Utilize scientific results of SLA on teaching a foreign language.

BROAD KNOWLEDGE/COMPETENCIES

- Development of independent, creative and deductive thinking
- Exercising critical thinking on scientific studies
- Practicing self-improvement
- Working in an interdisciplinary environment with multi-cultural data
- Organization abilities-Development of the plan for the study of a scientific topic

3. COURSE DESCRIPTION

The seminar deals with the study of second language acquisition (SLA). The aim is to analyze the fundamental principles of the theoretical approaches to SLA and describe the differences from acquisition of L1. More specifically, it discusses the research methods and approaches to data analysis on SLA along with the major theoretical perspectives. Within the various approaches it is examined the role of Language Environment and the factors that affect SLA, i.e. naturalness; learner participation; biological and cognitive factors, extra-linguistic factors; age and bilingualism, classroom experience, aptitude, interaction of L1 and L2.

Most importantly, the theoretical approaches will be discussed in detail through specific studies on L2 on various topics, such as, acquisition of word order, subject-drop,

development of Determiners, acquisition of Tense & Aspect, acquisition of pronominal clitics, among others.

Our aim is to be able to determine the universal stages in L2, such as the silent period, and stages of interference and transfer, while transitional phases will be examined within the framework of Universal Grammar and other frameworks.

The main focus is the examination of the basic structures which interact with other structures within a language and characterize that stages of language development in both L1 and L2.

4. TEACHING AND LEARNING METHODS-EVALUATION

MODE OF DELIVERY	In class lectures				
OTHER SOURCES/	All class material available in class-web				
TECHNOLOGICAL AND	Communication via e-mail				
COMMUNICATION					
SUPPORT					
COURSE STRUCTURE	ACTIVITY	WORKING LOAD			
	Lectures and students'	(3×13=) 39			
	presentations				
	Group study on a specific	30			
	topic				
	Preparation for student's	30			
	presentations	30			
	Writing of the final paper	65			
	Independent study	84			
	Total				
	(25working hours per credit)	250			
STUDENT ASSESSMENT	I. Final seminar paper in written form (60% of the total				
	grade) assessing:				
	- the immersion of course information (20%)				
	- the critical synthesis of the course information (25%)				
	-the structure and the development of the paper (20%)				
	II. The quality of the in-class presentation (20%)				
	III. The quality of the in-class participation (15%)				

5. SUGGESTED BIBLIOGRAPHY

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- Lecture notes available in class-web.
- Lightbrown, P. & N. Spada. 2006. How Languages are Learned. Oxford University Press.
- Muriel Saville-Troike (2012) Introducing Second Language Acquisition, Cambridge Introductions to Language and Linguistics, Cambridge University Press.
- Edna Andrews (2014) Neuroscience and Multilingualism, Cambridge University Press.
- Gabriele Kasper & Kenneth R. Rose (2003) Pragmatic Development in a Second Language, Oxford: Blackwell.
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- Guasti, M.T (2002). Language Acquisition: The Growth of Grammar. MIT Press.