

English Linguistics III: Analysis of Spoken Interaction (A005060)

Course size (nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)

Credits	5.0	Study time	150 h	Contact hrs	45.0 h
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Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2018-2019

A (semester 2)	English	fieldwork	6.25 h
		lecture: plenary	5.0 h
		exercises	
		lecture	12.5 h

Lecturers in academic year 2018-2019

De Soete, Alexander	LW06	staff member
Slembrouck, Stef	LW06	lecturer-in-charge

Offered in the following programmes in 2018-2019

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Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Literature (main subject Dutch - English)	5	A
Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Literature (main subject English - German)	5	A
Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Literature (main subject English - Greek)	5	A
Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Literature (main subject English - Italian)	5	A
Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Literature (main subject English - Latin)	5	A
Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Literature (main subject English - Spanish)	5	A
Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Literature (main subject English - Swedish)	5	A
Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Literature (main subject French - English)	5	A
Exchange Programme Linguistics and Literature	5	A
Linking Course Master of Arts in Linguistics and Literature (main subject English)	5	A
Preparatory Course Master of Arts in Linguistics and Literature (main subject English)	5	A

Teaching languages

English

Keywords

English, linguistics, analysis of spoken interaction

Position of the course

This advanced course helps students develop insight into the description and interpretation of spoken interaction and oral language use, especially with regard to its sequential structure and interactional construction. The course covers institutionalised interaction types such as television news, talk shows, stand-up comedy, service encounters, guided tours, sports classes, game situations, classroom interaction, etc.

Contents

Language, context and situation. Spoken language as a pervasive social phenomenon. Language use as (part of) interaction. Transcription. Ethnomethodology. Frame analysis. Conversation analysis and sequential structure. Interactional

sociolinguistics and contextualisation. Indexicality.

Initial competences

To have successfully completed English Language Proficiency I or to have mastered the intended competences in another way.

Final competences

- 1 To master a number of research methods that can be applied to the study of discourse as an everyday phenomenon in society.
- 2 To have developed an insight into the description and interpretation of linguistic and other (e.g. body-actional) aspects of interaction.
- 3 To be acquainted with a number of research paradigms.

Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is determined after successful competences assessment

Conditions for exam contract

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

Teaching methods

Guided self-study, lecture, fieldwork, self-reliant study activities, lecture: plenary exercises

Extra information on the teaching methods

- Lectures
- Independent work: a group presentation in which the students present a small-scale project on the basis of a recorded "conversation in English". The data is transcribed and the analysis focuses on a theoretical/methodological theme that was discussed during the lectures.

Learning materials and price

Textbook published by Acco.

Audio/visual recording equipment (a smartphone is sufficient for most data projects).

Samples of spoken interactional data in English (available via Minerva).

Estimated cost: 10 EUR

References

Course content-related study coaching

One or two coaching sessions in small groups.

Evaluation methods

end-of-term evaluation and continuous assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the first examination period

Oral examination

Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the second examination period

Oral examination

Examination methods in case of permanent evaluation

Oral examination, assignment

Possibilities of retake in case of permanent evaluation

examination during the second examination period is not possible

Extra information on the examination methods

Assessment moment

Periodical: exam (50%) and non-periodical: continuous assessment (50%)

(If a student did not pass the non-periodical evaluation, no second chance is offered by means of a compensational activity between the first and second exam period.)

Assessment form

- Permanent evaluation: presentation (in small groups).
- Oral exam with questions on knowledge. The exam is in line with the intended final competences.

Calculation of the examination mark

Periodical: exam (50%) and non-periodical: permanent evaluation (50%)

Students who do not take part in the assessment of one or more parts of the course evaluation, or obtain a mark lower than 10/20 for one of the parts, cannot obtain a pass mark for the course as a whole. In those cases where the average overall mark is higher than 10/20, the final mark will be reduced to the highest non-pass mark (= 9).

Facilities for Working Students

1. Student attendance of the sessions is compulsory.
2. Oral exam can be taken at some other point during the academic year.
3. Feedback can be given by email or by appointment.

Extra information: the presentation is in small groups and cannot be organized outside the scheduled classes.

For more information concerning flexible learning: contact the monitoring service of the faculty of Arts and philosophy