ENGLISCHE SPRACHWISSENSCHAFT

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Grundlagen (S)

41160 Introduction to English Linguistics II
BA (A5), Lehramt A5
Ü 2st., Di 12-14,
This course is the second part of the introductory exploration of various fields of linguistics. Each session will consist of a lecture part for overview and a tutorial part for more in-depth discussions on the subject. The fields to be covered are Schools of Linguistics, History of the English Language, Sociolinguistics, Language Contact and Change, Cognitive Linguistics, Corpus Linguistics, Written and Spoken Language, Text Linguistics and First Language Acquisition.

It is not necessary to register for this class.

41157  Introduction to English Linguistics II  Mühleisen
BA (A 5), Lehramt (A 5)
V/Ü Do 10-12,

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It is not necessary to register for this class.

41162  Contact Linguistics  Anchimbe
BA (B2.3), Lehramt A6, Teilgebiet 2.1, MAIAS (elective)
PS 2st., Mo 10-12,

This course focuses on some of the major outcomes of the contact of languages, cultures and peoples. The linguistic and social particularities of contact situations and their respective outcomes will constitute the bases for investigation of language contact processes and the theories propounded to explain them. Attention will be on contact processes such as bilingualism & multilingualism, language change, attrition, shift, survival & death, code-mixing & code-switching, substratal influence, and the emergence and evolution of English-based Pidgins and Creoles.


It is not necessary to register for this class.

41163  Text Linguistics  Anchimbe
Staatsexamen! BA (B2.4), Lehramt A6, Teilgebiet 2.4, MAIAS (elective)
PS 2st., Di 10-12,

How are written texts composed? Are texts within certain genres different from texts in other genres? These questions are very important to text linguistics. This course will focus on aspects of grammar beyond the sentence, especially cohesion, coherence intentionality, acceptability, informativity, contextuality and intertextuality, in different genres in English. We will also be concerned electronic text genres and how these have affected traditional text production at various levels: grammar, template, audience and medium.


It is not necessary to register for this class.

41167  Sociolinguistic Variation  Bieswanger
BA (Teilgebiet 2.2), Lehramt, MAIAS (elective)
PS 2st, Di 12-14,
This seminar will focus on the complex interrelationship of language and society. We will discuss the key methods and findings of variationist sociolinguistics and explore how social factors including age, gender, socioeconomic status, ethnic group membership etc. can be connected to certain patterns of language use.

It is not necessary to register for this class.

**41154 Pragmatics**
Staatsexamen! BA (B2.3), Lehramt A6, Teilgebiet 2.3, MAIAS (elective)
PS 2st., Mo 16-18,

Pragmatics is the study of language in context. In this course, we will pick up the discussion from the Pragmatics section of the Introduction to English Linguistics 2 and look at deixis, speech acts and conversational implicatures, but also move on to more complex matters: linguistic politeness, face, linguistic avoidance. This seminar is suitable for the preparation for the Staatsexamen.

It is not necessary to register for this class.

**41155 Computer-Mediated Communication**
BA (Teilgebiete B2.2, B2.3), LA A6, MAIAS (elective)
PS 2st., Di 8-10,

In this course we will examine the language of the new media through the lens of pragmatics and discourse analysis. We will consider whether one can really talk about a distinct variety of online language, what semantic, syntactic and pragmatic features such a variety may have, and how computer-mediated communication can be analysed with linguistic tools. The areas of investigation will include e.g. pragmatics of time reference in microblogging, perspectivisation devices used by bloggers, and creative orthography on the icanhascheezburger web community.

It is not necessary to register for this class.

**41156 Language Structures in a Comparative Perspective**
BA (Teilgebiete B2.1, B2.2), Lehramt A6, MAIAS (elective)
PS 2st., Mo 12-14,

This seminar offers a survey of the structural diversity of the world languages. We will look at how the same communicative goals are achieved by different language families and genera, paying specific attention to their syntactic and morphological make-up. Some of the topics include: notions of language type and methods of language typology; case markings; word order; language universals and their explanation. The course will include a revision of the basic concepts from syntax and morphology and is therefore relevant for the Staatsexamen.

It is not necessary to register for this class.

**41166 English as a Lingua Franca**
BA (Teilgebiete 2.1, 2.2), Lehramt A6, MAIAS (elective)
PS 2st., Mi 10-12,
Class begin: 16.4.2014

Communication in English nowadays frequently occurs between non-native speakers of English with diverse language backgrounds. Imagine for example a Swiss exchange student in South Korea talking to her Chinese roommate in English.
In this course we will investigate this use of English as lingua franca (ELF). After situating ELF in relation to the World Englishes paradigm, we will look at phonological, lexical, grammatical and pragmatic
features of ELF talk. We will also learn about ELF and identity and how ELF challenges the notion of the native speaker.

It is not necessary to register for this class.

41151 Lexicology and Lexicography  
Schönweitz  
BA (Teilgebiet B 2.1), Lehramt A6, MAIAS (elective)  
PS, 2st., Di 12-14,

This class will provide a description of English vocabulary from a variety of linguistic angles. The major focus will be on the internal and external structures of modern English vocabulary, i.e. word-formation, lexical fields and sense relations, which will be discussed in some detail. The course will be rounded off by a thorough revision of how these elements are represented in the three major types of dictionaries, namely general-purpose, learner’s and bilingual dictionaries.

It is not necessary to register for this class.

41152 Introduction to Middle English  
Schönweitz  
BA (Teilgebiet B 2.1), Lehramt A6, MAIAS (elective)  
PS, 2st., Mi 14-16,

This class will have two major focuses:
1. A description of the phonological, morphosyntactic and lexical features of Middle English and their development.
2. Reading and translation of a number of selected key texts of the period.

Note: this class (and Introduction to Old English in the winter term) is supposed to bridge the gap between the introductory lecture (History of the English Language) and preparatory classes for the Staatsexamen (Repetitorium).

It is not necessary to register for this class.

41153 English in the British Isles  
Schönweitz  
BA (Teilgebiet B 2.2), Lehramt A6, MAIAS (elective)  
PS, 2st., Fr 10-12,

This class will provide an account of English as spoken (and written) in the British Isles. The major points to be discussed include:
- the historical background of English in Britain (especially with a view to standardisation);
- the status and typical features of the standard (RP);
- the methods of the Survey of English Dialects (SED) and a detailed review of the dialect landscape of England, as well as varieties of English in Wales, Scotland and Ireland;
- socio-ethnic varieties of English in Britain.

It is not necessary to register for this class.

41171 First Language Acquisition  
Steigertahl  
BA (Teilgebiet 2.1), Lehramt, MAIAS (elective)  
PS 2st, Mo 14-16

This course will give an overview of first language acquisition (FLA). Apart from the history of this field, we are going to discuss different approaches to FLA (behaviorism, nativism, cognitive hypothesis etc.) in order to compare them. We will also take a close look at the different phases of the phonological, lexical, syntactical and grammatical development in FLA to find out how children learn language.

To prepare for this course, please read the following: Crystal, David. 1987. The Cambridge Encyclopedia of Language. Cambridge: CUP. Chapter 23.

It is not necessary to register for this class.
This seminar will give an introduction to semantics, the study of word and sentence meaning. We will compare and discuss the different branches of and approaches to semantics. In this context, we will also take a look at cognitive semantics, dealing with concepts such as prototypes, metaphors and metonomies. This theoretical background knowledge will then be used for semantic analyses so that by the end of this course students will be able to apply their gained knowledge.


It is not necessary to register for this class.

Postcolonial pragmatics describes pragmatic phenomena and linguistic choices in postcolonial discourses traceable to the complex nature of postcolonial communities. Colonial contact and the subsequent hybridism of patterns of lingual and social behaviour are central here. This advanced course will focus on these phenomena and choices and their instantiations in various discourses (spoken, printed, audiovisual, virtual) and across communities. Topics of interest include postcolonial refunecationalisation of speech acts, influences of indigenous notions of decorum, respect, avoidance, floor rights, address forms, etc. on interaction, and the discursive construction of identities and social roles.


Political discourse has taken different forms, methods and strategies in the last decade, following on the different forms of technologically mediated communication. The aim of this course is to analyse some of these strategies and methods and to establish the different ways in which they function. Direct focus will be on political (news) interviews, televised presidential debates, political monologues or speeches, parliamentary discourse and debates, press conferences, and political editorials. Using analytical frameworks like discourse analysis, critical discourse analysis and historical discourse analysis we will understand the place of spin in political discourse and how this impacts on listeners and opponents.

Language contact in various situations regularly leads to a range of different influences of the involved languages on each other and thus to language change. In this graduate seminar, we will analyze different types of contact, discuss the notion of *borrowability*, and take a systematic in-depth look at contact-induced language change at all linguistic levels, i.e. phonetic, phonological, lexical, morphological and syntactic transfers as well their integration in the receiving language.

It is not necessary to register for this class.

41169 Varieties of American English  
Bieswanger  
BA (Teilgebiet 2.2, 2.3), Lehramt, MAIAS, MA SprInK  
HS 2st, Mi 12-14,

This course will explore the historical development as well as the linguistic features of different varieties of American English. We will identify and compare the main linguistic characteristics of these varieties with the help of available literature, *The Atlas of North American English*, linguistic corpora, authentic texts, recordings and audiovisual material.

It is not necessary to register for this class.

41159 Exam Colloquium  
Mühleisen/Anchimbe  
BA, LA, MA (MAIAS and MA SprInK)  
Ü Mi 18-20,

This course provides an opportunity for BA, LA and MA students to prepare and discuss their final thesis projects (*Bachelorarbeit*, *Zulassungsarbeit für die Erste Staatsprüfung*, MA-Thesis) in English linguistics. BA and MA students may also use this class to prepare their oral and written exam topics. Note: this is not the Repetitorium for the preparation of the written exam for the Staatsexamen (see separate Übung for this!)

It is not necessary to register for this class.

41150 Repetitorium für Staatsexamenskandidaten  
Schönweitz  
Lehramt  
Ü, 2st., Di 16-18,

This class is specifically aimed at Lehramt students who intend to take their Staatsexamen in English linguistics with a synchronic focus (cf. “Anforderungsprofil Englische Linguistik synchron”). We will discuss a variety of central topics in linguistics and do exercises based on or taken from earlier Staatsexamen tests.

A certain degree of linguistic knowledge is indispensable for this course (at least Introduction to English Linguistics I & II and one Pro- or Hauptseminar).

Note: this class will be done in German.

It is not necessary to register for this class.

**MAIAS Linguistics**

41158 Theories and Methods in Sociolinguistics  
Mühleisen  
MAIAS (A3), MA SprInK, BIGSAS  
HS 2 st, Do 14-16

This seminar will provide an overview of theories and methods in sociolinguistics from the 1960s to date. Based on the reading of original works, we will engage in explorations in dialect and style variation, language attitudes and stereotyping, multilingualism, face-to-face interaction and ethnography of communication.

The first part of the course will focus on classic theoretical texts, in the second part of the course, project groups will explore and discuss some specific topics in sociolinguistics (e.g. language and gender,
Central themes in this course which seek to explore the theoretical and methodological foundations of sociolinguistics and its more recent developments are

- the history of sociolinguistics and its diverse branches,
- the connection between language and extralinguistic variables (class, ethnicity)
- quantitative and qualitative methods of data collection and analysis
- speech communities - communities of practice
- language and social networks
- language, gender, and sexuality
- language and style
- the globalization of sociolinguistics

Please register for this class by April 1st 2014 at: amanee.katwaroo@uni-bayreuth.de

41170 Corpus Linguistics
MAIAS (C3), MA SprInK (6.1, 6.2, 6.3)
OS 2st, Do 14-16,

Linguistic analysis based on language corpora has experienced a revival of interest and a fundamental change with the availability of electronic collections of language material in recent decades. The course is intended to give MA-level and PhD students (MAIAS, MA SprInK, etc.) an overview of corpus linguistic resources both in terms of available corpora of spoken and written language as well as the tools we can use to analyze machine-readable collections of language material. Possibilities and limitations of the use of electronic corpora will be discussed and related to participants’ own research ideas.

Students interested in participating in this course have to register via e-mail to bieswanger@uni-bayreuth.de by March 31, 2014.

MAIAS Electives

Any of the above seminars/lectures may also be chosen as Electives. Beyond these, any courses marked V, PS, HS in the Department’s general categories further above may be additionally chosen as electives, if a student wishes to do so.

MAIAS Style and Register, Language courses

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