

Syllabus

Department	Department of English Studies							Year		2024/2 025		
Course	Sociolinguistics							EC	ECTS		3	
Study programme	English Studies											
Level of study programme	⊠ Undergraduate □ Graduate				e	□ Integrated	Postgraduate					
Type of study programme	□ Single major ⊠ Double major			⊠ University			Professional		□ Specialized			
Year of study				□ 2			⊠ 3			4		□ 5
Semester	□ Winter ⊠ Summer			□ I ⊠ VI			□ III □ VIII					
Status of the course	⊠ Compulsory			□ Elective			□ Elective course offered to students			Teaching Competencies		□ YES ⊠ NO
Workload	30	L	15	S		E	Internet so	ources for e-learnir			ing	□ YES □ NO
Location and time of instruction	Monday, 10-12, room 143 (lectures), and 12-14, room 157 (seminars)					Language(s the course					;h	
Course start date	17 February 2025 Course end						e end d	ate	26 M	ay 2025		
Enrolment requirements	Enrolment in the 6th semester of undergraduate English Studies											
Course coordinator	Sanja Škifić, PhD, Full Professor											
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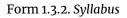
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Mode of	⊠ Lectures	⊠ Seminars	□ Exercises	□ E-learning	□ Field work				
teaching	□ Individual assignments	□ Multimedia and network	Laboratory	□ Mentoring	□ Other				
Learning outco	mes	By the end of the course students will acquire basic knowledge in the field of sociolinguistics, and will be able to: -define basic sociolinguistic concepts and interpret their relationship -analyze the relationships between different linguistic structures (phonological, morphological and syntactic) of the English language and the social dimension of language -interpret the importance of extralinguistic context in the analysis of communicative competence -analyze similarities and differences between different situations of language variation -recognize and describe relevant ideas and concepts -connect different approaches, perceptions, and knowledge through an interdisciplinary approach							
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		 describe and critically assess the relationship between social factors and linguistic structures and linguistic use critically assess the position of the English language and Anglophone cultures in the broader socio-political context 							
Assessment	⊠ Class attendance	Preparation for class	□ Homework	□ Continuous evaluation	□ Research				
criteria	□ Practical work	Experimental work	\boxtimes Presentation	🗆 Project	□ Seminar				
Conditions for permission to take the exam	⊠ Test(s) ⊠ Written exam □ Oral exam □ Other: Regular class attendance and seminar presentation. Students prepare and present their seminar presentation in pairs. Seminar presentations are determined beforehand with the course instructor. □ Oral exam □ Other:								
Exam periods	🗆 🗆 Wi	nter	🖂 Summer	🖂 Autu	imn				
Exam dates			https://anglistika.unizdhttps://anglistika.u.hr/ispitni-rokovid.hr/ispitni-rokovi						
Course description	Sociolinguistics is an interdisciplinary science that views language in social context and attempts to explain the complexity of the relationships between language, culture and society. Students are acquainted with basic sociolinguistic phenomena through readings of literature relevant for a particular area of research. Students identify, interpret and analyze the phenomena on the basis of selected readings. Students develop critical thinking towards basic sociolinguistic areas of research and towards methods used to conduct such research. Furthermore, students are acquainted with traditional and contemporary theoretical frameworks within which such phenomena are analyzed.								
Course content	Lectures: 1. Introduction to sociolinguistics as a scientific discipline 2. Basic terminology (language – dialect – variety – vernacular – koinē – style – register) 3. Dialectology (regional and social dialects; RP; dialect geography) and speech communities 4. Studies on language variation (Fischer; Labov; Trudgill; Wolfram; Milroy) 5. Pidgins and creoles (status; geographical distribution; linguistic characteristics; theories of origin) 6. Diglossia: bilingualism and multilingualism (code-switching and code-mixing) 7. Mid-term test								



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Required reading Additional reading	 8. Language and culture (Sapir-Whorf hypothesis, kinship terminology, taboo and euphemisms) 9. Ethnography 10. Solidarity and politeness 11. Language and gender 12. Bernstein and codes; AAVE 13. Language policy and planning 14. Language death 15. End-term test Seminars: Ferguson and Fishman: sociolinguistics and sociology of language Gumperz and interactional sociolinguistics Labov: language variation and change Societal bilingualism Code switching and code mixing Mid-term test 9. Dell Hymes and ethnography of communication Language migration and human rights Gender and interaction Bernstein: codes and social class Language policy and planning Language policy and planning Language numbers and social class Language numbers and social class Language policy and planning Language policy and planning Language policy and planning Language policy and planning Wardhaugh, Ronald. An Introduction to Sociolinguistics. Chichester, West Sussex: Willey-Blackwell, 2010. 6th ed. Wordak, Ruth; Johnstone, Barbara, and Paul Kerswill, eds. The Sage Handbook of Sociolinguistics. London: Sage Publications Ltd., 2011. (selected chapters) Holmes, Janet. An Introductin to Sociolinguistics. London: Longman, 2013. 4th ed. Myerhoff, Miriam. Introducing Sociolinguistics. London: Longman, 2013. 4th ed. Myerhoff, Miriam. Introducing Sociolinguistics. London and New York: Routledge, 2006. Trudgill, Peter. Sociolinguistics: An Introduction to Language and Society. London: Penguin Books. 2000. 4th ed.
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	 Hudson, Robert A. Sociolinguistics. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1980. Stockwell, Peter. Sociolinguistics. A Resource Book for Students. London and New York: Routledge, 2002.
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	 Coupland, Nikolas, and Adam Jaworski, eds. Sociolinguistics. A Reader and Coursebook. London: Macmillan, 1997. Thomas, L. et al. Language, Society And Power. London and New York: Routledge,
	 2000. 10. Crystal, David. Language Death. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2000. 11. Nettle, Daniel, and Suzanne Romaine. Vanishing Voices. The Extinction of the World's Languages. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2000. 12. Matasović, Ranko. Jezična raznolikost svijeta. Zagreb: Algoritam, 2005.
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sources	Final oyam only
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Assessment criteria of learning	🗆 Final written	exam		Final oral exam	□ Final written and oral exam		Practical work and final exam		
outcomes	□ Only test/homework	□ Test exam semi present	and nar	□ Seminar paper	□ Seminar paper and final exam	Uractical		□ other forms	
Calculation of final grade	Students who pass both the mid-term and the end-term exam do not have to take the final written exam if they are satisfied with the results obtained on the mid-term and the final-term exams. Their final grade represents a combination of the results of mid-term, end-term exam and seminar presentation (mid-term exam – 40%, end-term exam – 40%, seminar presentation – 20%). Students who do not pass both the mid-term and the end-term exam have to take the final written exam. Their grade represents the combination of the results of the final exam (80%) and the seminar presentation (20%).								
Grading scale	0%-59%	Failure (
	60%-69%	Satisfact	-						
	70%-79%	Good (3)							
	80%-89% 90%-100%	Very goo Excellen							
Course	Student evalua			w the University					
evaluation				by the Department					
procedures	□ Internal evalua			, y					
	Department meetings discussing quality of teaching and results of student								
	evaluations								
N. (□ Other	1	<u>(1)</u>		.	(T)			
Note /Other	In accordance with Art. 6 of the <i>Code of Ethics</i> of the Committee for Ethics in Science and Higher Education, "the student is expected to fulfil his/her obligations honestly and ethically, to pursue academic excellence, to be civilized, respectful and free from prejudice." According to Art. 14 of the University of Zadar's <i>Code of Ethics</i> , students are expected to "fulfil their responsibilities responsibly and conscientiously. [] Students are obligated to safeguard the reputation and dignity of all members of the university community and the University of Zadar as a whole, to promote moral and academic values and principles. []							s honestly free from xpected to	
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	Any act constituting a violation of academic honesty is ethically prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to: - various forms of fraud such as the use or possession of books, notes, data, electronic gadgets or other aids during examinations, except when permitted; -various forms of forgery such as the use or possession of unauthorised materials during the exam; impersonation and attendance at exams on behalf of other students; fraudulent study documents; forgery of signatures and grades; falsifying exam results."								
	All forms of unethical behaviour will result in a negative grade in the course without the possibility of compensation or repair. In case of serious violations the <i>Rulebook on</i> <i>Disciplinary Responsibility of Students at the University of Zadar</i> will be applied.								
	In electronic communications only messages coming from known addresses first and a last name, and which are written in the Croatian standard and appr academic style, will be responded to. This course uses the Merlin system for e-learning, so students are required to AAI account.								
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