



UNIVERSITY OF BANJA LUKA
FACULTY OF PHILOLOGY

MASTER'S STUDIES

Study programme(s)

Course title	Contemporary Linguistic Theories			
Code	Status	Semester	Contact hours per week	ECTS credits
	Compulsory	1 st	2+1	
Lecturer(s)	Milivoj Alanović			

Eligibility requirements

N/A

Course objectives

Introduction to the main poststructuralist approaches, their representatives and ideas, goals, methodological principles and results.

Learning outcomes

Students acquire the key theoretical tenets and master the main methods of analysis characteristic of specific linguistic approaches.

Course topics

Structuralism and its influence on the development of modern linguistic thought: ideas, schools and results. Dependency grammar and valency theory: Meinheim and Leipzig Schools, terminology and aspects of linguistic analysis. Generative grammar: phrase structure theory, X-bar theory, minimalism. Case grammar: Charles Fillmore and the deep case system. Cognitive linguistics: Lakoff and Johnson's metaphor theory, L. Talmy's space and process semantics, R. Langacker's cognitive grammar. Construction grammar: A. Goldberg's theoretical model. Functional grammar: S. Dick's and M.A.K. Halliday's models. Grammaticalisation theory: concepts of grammatical and lexical words, stages of transition from lexicon to grammar, motives for linguistic change.

Teaching methods and strategies

Lectures and discussions; analysis and interpretation.

Course reading list

1. Ivić, Milka. Pravci u lingvistici. Beograd: XX vek, 2001.
 2. Munen, Žorž. Istorija lingvistike. Beograd: XX vek, 2001.
 3. Klikovac, Duška. Metafore u mišljenju i jeziku. Beograd: XX vek, 2004.
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1. Bugarski, R. Uvod u opštu lingvistiku. Beograd: Zavod za udžbenike i nastavna sredstva/ Novi Sad: Zavod za izdavanje udžbenika, 2003.
 2. Croft, W., Cruse, A. D. Cognitive Linguistics. Cambridge University Press: Cambridge, 2004.
 3. Fromkin, V. and R. Rodman. An Introduction to Language. Fort Worth: Harcourt Brace College Publishers, 1993.

4. Glovacki-Bernardi, Z. i dr. Uvod u lingvistiku. Zagreb, 2001.
5. Mihaljević, M. Generativna sintaksa i semantika. Zagreb, 1998.
6. Yule, G. The Study of Language. Cambridge: CUP, 2000.

Assessment and marking

Class attendance	5	Written exam	65
Class participation	10	Oral exam	20

Special course designation

N/A

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