

Course Specifications

| Course Title: | Morphology and Syntax | |
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| Course Code: | LING 233 | |
| Program: | Bachelor Degree of Arts in Applied Linguistics (English). | |
| Department: | Department of Applied Linguistics. | |
| College: | College of Languages | |
| Institution: | Princess Nourah Bint Abdulrahman University | |













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A. Course Identification

| 1. Credit hours: 4 | | |
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| 2. Course type | | |
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| b. Required √ Elective | | |
| 3. Level/year at which this course is offered: Level 5 | | |
| 4. Pre-requisites for this course (if any): Grammar in Use LING 132 | | |
| 5. Co-requisites for this course (if any): | | |
| None | | |

6. Mode of Instruction (mark all that apply)

| No | Mode of Instruction | Contact Hours | Percentage |
|----|-----------------------|---------------|------------|
| 1 | Traditional classroom | 4 | 100% |
| 2 | Blended | - | - |
| 3 | E-learning | - | - |
| 4 | Distance learning | - | - |
| 5 | Other | - | - |

7. Contact Hours (based on academic semester)

| No | Activity | Contact Hours |
|----|-------------------|----------------------|
| 1 | Lecture | 40 |
| 2 | Laboratory/Studio | - |
| 3 | Tutorial | - |
| 4 | Others (specify) | _ |
| | Total | 40 |

B. Course Objectives and Learning Outcomes

1. Course Description

This course is focused on Syntactic and Morphological terminology, hypotheses and structures of English and other languages.

2. Course Main Objective

1. What is the main purpose for this course?

This course is intended to introduce students to:

- 1. the key concepts and technical terms in the field of Morphology and syntax.
- 2. various morphological and syntactic structures of English.

3. Course Learning Outcomes

| | CLOs | Aligned PLOs |
|-----|--|-----------------|
| 1 | Knowledge and Understanding | |
| 1.1 | Recognize the different forms and parts of words in English. | K1 |
| 1.2 | Define the important topics in syntax like phrases, phrase structure rules and basic sentence patterns. | K1 |
| 2 | Skills: | |
| 2.1 | Develop an ability to think critically and analytically about the internal structure of words and sentences. | S 3 |
| 2.2 | Apply the basic morphological and syntactic theories on various contexts. | S5 |
| 3 | Values: | |
| 3.1 | Demonstrate the ability to communicate effectively in class (individually and/or in a group). | V1 |

C. Course Content

| No | List of Topics | |
|----|--|----|
| | Introduction | |
| 1 | Introducing the meaning of (Morphology and Syntax) and the main topics | 2 |
| | they deal with. | |
| 2 | A word and its parts: roots, affixes and their lexical items. | 6 |
| 3 | A word and its forms: inflection | 3 |
| 4 | A word and its relatives: derivation | 3 |
| 5 | Compound words, blends and phrasal words | |
| 6 | Parts of speech | |
| 7 | Constituency, Trees, and Rules 3 | |
| 8 | Structural Relations | 3 |
| 9 | Binding Theory. Anaphors, pronouns, and R-expressions. | 3 |
| 10 | Basic Xbar syntax. Optional constituents, complements and modifiers. | |
| 11 | Advanced Xbar Syntax. | |
| 12 | 2 Auxiliaries and Functional Categories | |
| | Total | 40 |

D. Teaching and Assessment

1. Alignment of Course Learning Outcomes with Teaching Strategies and Assessment Methods

| Cod | Course Learning Outcomes | Teaching Strategies | Assessment Methods |
|-----|--|---|---|
| 1.0 | Knowledge and Understanding | | |
| 1.1 | Recognize the different forms and parts of words in English. | Lectures PowerPoint presentations Small group work discussions | Short quizzesExamsAssignmentsPeer evaluationsGroup activities |

| Code | Course Learning Outcomes | Teaching Strategies | Assessment Methods |
|------|--|--|--|
| | | Class activities: fill-in exercises, error-analysis exercises. | |
| 1.2 | Define the important topics in syntax like phrases, phrase structure rules and basic sentence patterns. | Lectures PowerPoint presentations Small group work Class activities. | Short quizzesExamsAssignmentsPeer evaluations |
| 2.0 | Skills | | |
| 2.1 | Develop an ability to think critically and analytically about the internal structure of words and sentences. | Lectures PowerPoint presentations Small group work discussions Class activities: error-analysis exercises, discussion of meaning exercises | Short quizzesExamsAssignmentsPeer evaluations |
| 2.2 | Apply the basic morphological and syntactic theories on various contexts. | Lectures PowerPoint presentations Small group work Class activities: fill-in exercises, open-ended exercises, paragraph practice. | Short quizzesExamsAssignmentsPeer evaluations |
| 3.0 | Values | | |
| 3.1 | Demonstrate the ability to communicate effectively in class (individually and/or in a group). | Small-group tasks (e.g., generating questions) Debates/ Discussions (e.g., think-pair-share) Research activities | Participation (individual or in a group) Peer evaluations |

2. Assessment Tasks for Students

| # | Assessment task* | Week Due | Percentage of Total Assessment Score |
|---|-------------------|------------|---|
| 1 | Class performance | Ongoing | 10% |
| 2 | Assignment 1 & 2 | Weeks 5 &7 | 10% |
| 3 | Assignment 3 | Weeks 9 | 10% |
| 4 | midterm exam | Week 5 | 30% |
| 5 | Final Exam | TBA | 40% |

^{*}Assessment task (i.e., written test, oral test, oral presentation, group project, essay, etc.)

E. Student Academic Counseling and Support

Arrangements for availability of faculty and teaching staff for individual student consultations and academic advice:

- Each instructor will have office hours available for the students.
- Also, each instructor will provide the students with the course specification document at the beginning of the course which will include other means of contact, like e-mail, social media account, and website.
- For academic guidance, students may consult their assigned academic advisors.

F. Learning Resources and Facilities

1.Learning Resources

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| Required Textbooks | Carstairs-McCarthy, Andrew. 2002. <i>An Introduction to English Morphology: Words and Their Structure</i> , 4th edition. Edinburgh University Press. Carnie, Andrew. 2013. <i>Syntax: A Generative Introduction</i> , 3rd edition. Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell. |
| L. 2003. Introducing Linguistic Morphology. Edinburgh Unpress Radford A. 1999. Syntax: A Minimalist Introduction. CUP International Journal of Applied Linguistics: http://www.blackwellpublishing.com/journal.asp?ref=0802 Norman C. Stageberg and Dallin D. Oaks.1999. An Introd. English Grammar, 5th Edition. Wadsworth Publishing. Thomas, Linda.1993. Beginning Syntax. Oxford UK & Ca USA: Blackwell publishers. Radford, A. 1981. Transformational Syntax: A Student's grand Chomsky's Extended Standard Theory. Cambridge University. | |
| Electronic Materials | Chaudhuri, University of Alberta. • Web-Cite www. Questia.com • Purdue On-Line Writing Lab — http://owl.english.purdue.edu/oldindex.html http://www.universalteacher.org.uk/lang/syntax.htm http://www.sil.org/linguistics/ETEXT.HTML 402 http://www.sil.org/linguistics/GlossaryOfLinguisticTerms/Index.htm |

| | http://www.utexas.edu/courses/linguistics/resources/syntax/index.htm http://www.blexas.edu/courses/linguistics/resourses/syntax/ |
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| Other Learning Materials | N/A |

2. Facilities Required

| Item | Resources |
|--|--|
| Accommodation (Classrooms, laboratories, demonstration rooms/labs, etc.) | Classrooms |
| Technology Resources (AV, data show, Smart Board, software, etc.) | White boardSmart boardE-podiumData show |
| Other Resources (Specify, e.g. if specific laboratory equipment is required, list requirements or attach a list) | N/A |

G. Course Quality Evaluation

| Evaluation Areas/Issues | Evaluators | Evaluation Methods |
|--|------------|--------------------|
| Effectiveness of teaching and assessment | Students. | Indirect |
| Quality of learning resources | Students | Indirect |

Evaluation areas (e.g., Effectiveness of teaching and assessment, Extent of achievement of course learning outcomes, Quality of learning resources, etc.)

Evaluators (Students, Faculty, Program Leaders, Peer Reviewer, Others (specify) **Assessment Methods** (Direct, Indirect)

H. Specification Approval Data

| Council / Committee | Applied Linguistics Program Committee (1) | |
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| | Applied Linguistics Department Council (4) | |
| | College Council (4) | |
| | Applied Linguistics Program Committee (1) | |
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| | College Council (4) | |
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| Date | Applied Linguistics Department Council (4) 7-3-1444 | |
| | College Council (4) 22-3-1444 | |
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