

**COURSE DATA****Data Subject**

Code	35331
Name	English phonology
Cycle	Grade
ECTS Credits	6.0
Academic year	2020 - 2021

Study (s)

Degree	Center	Acad. year	Period
1000 - Degree in English Studies	Faculty of Philology, Translation and Communication	1	Second term

Subject-matter

Degree	Subject-matter	Character
1000 - Degree in English Studies	5 - Linguistics of the English language	Obligatory

Coordination

Name	Department
PENNOCK SPECK, BARRY	155 - English and German

SUMMARY

- Briefly, English Phonology deals with the theory and practice of segmental and suprasegmental phonology and phonetics.

PREVIOUS KNOWLEDGE**Relationship to other subjects of the same degree**

There are no specified enrollment restrictions with other subjects of the curriculum.



Other requirements

English Language I: (B1 level) recommended.

OUTCOMES

1000 - Degree in English Studies

- Students must have the ability to gather and interpret relevant data (usually in their field of study) to make judgements that take relevant social, scientific or ethical issues into consideration.
- Apply ICT and computer programs, either locally or through a network, in the field of English Studies.
- Work and learn autonomously, and plan and manage ones workload.
- Demonstrate communicative and social competence in the English language (oral and written comprehension and expression, communicative interaction and mediation that includes correct grammar and style).
- Describe and explain theoretical and practical aspects of English phonology, lexis, morphology, syntax, text and discourse.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

On successful completion of the module, you will be able to:

- identify elements and categories in the phonological level in different English-language texts
- explain in English concepts, theories and phenomena related to the phonology of the English language
- distinguish phonological traits in varieties of English
- transcribe common English words (RP) phonemically
- defend their point of view in issues related to the phonology of the English language
- use IT tools and resources in the study of the phonology of the English language
- produce a blog that includes links, audio (using Audacity), images and video on the subject of phonology.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS

**1. Unit 1**

General Introduction. Phonology in the study of the English language. Standard Pronunciation. Received Pronunciation. Other main accents of English. Phonetics and phonology: basic concepts. Acoustic phonetics, articulatory phonetics and auditory phonetics. Introduction to the articulation of consonants, vowels and diphthongs.

2. Unit 2

Basic phonological concepts. Description and classification of English consonants. English vowels and diphthongs.

3. Unit 3

Connected speech: assimilation, elision, and juncture. Introduction to accent, rhythm and intonation in English.

WORKLOAD

ACTIVITY	Hours	% To be attended
Theoretical and practical classes	60,00	100
Development of group work	5,00	0
Study and independent work	65,00	0
Preparation of evaluation activities	10,00	0
Resolution of case studies	5,00	0
Resolution of online questionnaires	5,00	0
TOTAL	150,00	

TEACHING METHODOLOGY**8.1 Theory-based classes:**

There will be lectures in which students will be given the necessary theoretical input which can be complemented by the set text book and the specific bibliography.

8.2 Practical classes:

These will consist in problem solving exercises, pair work, group work, listening exercises, transcription. If possible, some of the classes will be given in the computer/language lab. Problem solving exercises, pair work, group work, listening exercises, transcription. If possible, work in the computer/language lab. Some of the practical classes will take the form of seminars. Attendance at seminars is compulsory. Your teacher will give you information on these seminars at the beginning of the course.



EVALUATION

Assessment

A) Theory examination	30%
B) Practical examination: transcription/dictation	50%
C) on- and off-line; creation of a blog on a topic having to do with English Phonology, seminars, etc.	20%
Total	100%

Please read very carefully:

Exams:

To pass the subject a student needs to get at least 50% in parts A AND B. So, even if a student gets a very good mark in B, but fails A, or vice versa, he/she will still fail the exam as a whole. Our rationale is that we want students to have a good grasp of the theoretical and practical parts of the subject. If a student gets 50% or over in A and B, the final mark will be the average of parts A, B and C.

Portfolio:

The mark for the portfolio, part C, is only counted IF the student passes parts A and B. Portfolio work can only be done DURING the course. Once the course is over, due to the nature of the portfolio, it will not be possible to do any portfolio work. This means that whatever the mark for part C is at the end of the course, it will be carried over to the second call –whether it is 0% or 20%. If, for example, a student does not do any portfolio work during the course, he/she will get 0% for part C. That means that he/she will only be able to get a maximum of 80% in the second-call examination. Thus he/she will need to get an average mark of at least 60% in part A and B to pass the course. We, therefore, recommend that students participate in class and do the portfolio activities.

The ability to communicate at the B1+ (CEFR level) is required to pass the course as a whole. Students whose communication (written and/or oral) displays errors that are not consistent with the above level will fail the module regardless of their performance related to the course contents.



Plagiarism will not be tolerated; it is a serious academic offence. Any student who is found to have committed plagiarism in his/her work for the course will face serious consequences which will lead to failing the whole subject.

REFERENCES

Basic

- Pennock-Speck, Barry & Gea-Valor, Lluïsa (2013) Introductory phonology. (2nd. ed.) Valencia: PUV.
- Online materials:

<http://www.uv.es/anglotic/phonology/index.html>

Additional

- Harris, John (1994) English Sound Structure. London: Routledge.
- Jones, D. (2008) English Pronouncing Dictionary. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Radford, Andrew et al. (1999) Linguistics: An Introduction. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Roach, Peter (2009) 2nd ed. English Phonetics and Phonology: A Practical Course. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Bowler, B. & Cunningham, S. (1991) Headway: Upper-Intermediate Pronunciation. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Wells, J.C. (1990) Longman Pronunciation Dictionary. Harlow: Longman.

ADDENDUM COVID-19

This addendum will only be activated if the health situation requires so and with the prior agreement of the Governing Council

HYBRID LEARNING MODE (BLENDED)

1. Contents

No change



2. Workload and teaching schedule

No change

3. Methodology

1. In-person class (theory/practice) + live and/or prerecorded BBC videoconference
2. In-person class (theory/practice) + uploaded materials in AV
3. In-person class (theory/practice) + narrated presentations
4. In-person class (theory/practice) + tasks in AV

4. Assessment

- A. Final exam: Theory 20%;
- B. Final exam: Practical 40%
- C. Continuous assessment or Portfolio [40%]: tests, exercises, activities and tasks

To pass the subject students need to get at least 50% in both A and B. The mark for part C will be carried over to the second call. These activities (part C) can only be carried out during the course and cannot be handed in for the second call. The mark for these activities (part C) is only counted if the student passes parts A and B.

5. Bibliography

No change

DISTANCE (ONLINE) LEARNING

1. Contents

No change



2. Workload and teaching schedule

No change

3. Methodology

1. Uploaded materials in AV
2. Tasks in AV
3. Live and/or prerecorded BBC videoconference
4. Narrated presentations

4. Assessment

- A. Final exam: Theory 20%;
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5. Bibliography

No change