

COURSE DETAIL

ACCELERATED NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING

Country

United Kingdom - Scotland

Host Institution

University of Edinburgh

Program(s)

Scottish Universities, University of Edinburgh

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Computer Science

UCEAP Course Number

111

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

ACCELERATED NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING

UCEAP Transcript Title

NATURAL LANG PROCES

UCEAP Quarter Units

8.00

UCEAP Semester Units

5.30

Course Description

The course synthesizes ideas from linguistics and computer science to provide students with a fast-paced introduction to the field of natural language processing. The course covers the most widely-used theoretical and computational models of language, including both statistical and non-statistical approaches. The course familiarizes students with a wide range of linguistic phenomena with the aim of appreciating the complexity, but also the systematic behavior of natural languages like English, the pervasiveness of ambiguity, and how this presents challenges in natural language processing. In addition, the course introduces the most important algorithms and data structures that are commonly used to solve many NLP problems. The course covers formal models for representing and analyzing the syntax and semantics of words, sentences, and discourse. Students learn how to analyze sentences algorithmically, using hand-crafted and automatically induced treebank grammars, and how to build interpretative semantic representations. The course also covers a number of standard models and algorithms that are used throughout language processing. Examples include n-gram and Hidden Markov Models, the EM algorithm, and dynamic programming algorithms such as chart parsing.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

INFR11125

Host Institution Course Title

ACCELERATED NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING

Host Institution Campus

Edinburgh

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Informatics

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