

COURSE DETAIL

GENERAL LINGUISTICS

Country

Italy

Host Institution

University of Bologna

Program(s)

University of Bologna

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Linguistics Italian

UCEAP Course Number

141

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

GENERAL LINGUISTICS

UCEAP Transcript Title

GENERAL LINGUISTICS

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

The course examines the theoretical and methodological tools to understand and analyze human language in its complexity and in its various manifestations, i.e. languages. At first, human language is contextualized within the larger set of semiotic phenomena, and the main models of linguistic and non-linguistic communication will be compared. The course then defines the concept of natural language, within a broader perspective taking into account the world's languages and their variation in time and space, and focuses on the concept of linguistic diversity. The diversity of languages is the background during the middle part of the course, where various levels of linguistic analysis are explained and demonstrated using examples from Italian and other European and non-European languages. The course addresses phonetics, phonology, morphology, vocabulary, syntax, semantics, and pragmatics. In light of the different levels of analysis addressed, the course proposes possible typologies and taxonomies with which to organize linguistic diversity, and concludes by discussing the concept of linguistic universals.

Language(s) of Instruction

Italian

Host Institution Course Number

69318

Host Institution Course Title

GENERAL LINGUISTICS

Host Institution Campus

BOLOGNA

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

L in LANGUAGES, MARKETS AND CULTURES OF ASIA AND MEDITERRANEAN AFRICA

Host Institution Department

Modern Languages, Literatures, and Cultures

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