COURSE DETAIL

INTRODUCTION TO SIGN LINGUISTICS
Country Ireland
Host Institution Trinity College Dublin
Program(s) Irish Universities,Trinity College Dublin
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Linguistics
UCEAP Course Number 104
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title INTRODUCTION TO SIGN LINGUISTICS
UCEAP Transcript Title SIGN LINGUISTICS
UCEAP Quarter Units 4.00
UCEAP Semester Units 2.70

Course Description
This course gives students a basic understanding of the linguistic structures of Irish Sign Language (ISL). It introduces the basic descriptive parameters of the language. Focus is particularly on the phonetic, phonological, morphological, and morph-syntactic breakdown of ISL, with reference to other signed language given to provide a cross-linguistic comparator. Topics include analysis of the basic parameters of a sign, compounding processes in ISL, verb categories in ISL, non-manual features, and use of space in ISL. Later, particular focus is on the morpho-syntax, semantics, and pragmatics of ISL. Topics for discussion include the identification of word order in ISL, use of topic constructions, question marking, negation, reflexives and reciprocals in ISL, and passive constructions. Other issues addressed include iconicity and gesture, and their relationship to signed languages.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
DF108A

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Host Institution Campus
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