COURSE DETAIL

LEL2C: ENGLISH IN TIME AND SPACE

Country

United Kingdom - Scotland

Host Institution

University of Edinburgh

Program(s)

University of Edinburgh

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Linguistics

UCEAP Course Number

101

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

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UCEAP Transcript Title

ENGLISH TIME&SPACE

UCEAP Quarter Units

8.00

UCEAP Semester Units

5.30

Course Description

The course takes a narrative approach to the history of the language, beginning with the 'pre-historical' period and the languages of early Britain, and ending with the spread of English across the world, and its status as the global language of the twenty-first century. Throughout, changes associated with the external history of the language are discussed in tandem with systemic changes affecting the phonology, morphology and syntax of different varieties of English. Students will be introduced to principles of historical linguistics, dialectology and sociolinguistics as they apply to varieties of English. They will also become familiar with the basic structural characteristics of the main periods of English in Britain (Old, Middle and Modern English), and with the formal and functional characteristics of some new Englishes (e.g. those in Africa and India). The development of English and Scots in Scotland is a further notable feature of the course.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

LASC08019

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Host Institution Campus

University of Edinburgh

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

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