

COURSE DETAIL

PSYCHOLOGY OF LANGUAGE

Country

Netherlands

Host Institution

Utrecht University

Program(s)

Utrecht University

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Psychology

UCEAP Course Number

101

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

PSYCHOLOGY OF LANGUAGE

UCEAP Transcript Title

PSY OF LANGUAGE

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

People communicate, for the most part, through language. Language (speaking, listening, reading, and writing) is so ordinary and commonplace that one often forgets that it is actually a highly complex and miraculous capacity, with its own specific laws and peculiarities. Understanding the properties of the language system is very important for understanding and clarifying the process of communication. This course covers the following topics: how psychologists and linguists view the structure and functioning of the human mind and the place of language competence in it; how a language is acquired and the difference between language acquisition by children and acquisition by adults; the processes that take place in our heads when we perceive and interpret the written or spoken language; impairments in the ability to use language and how are they related to defects (congenital or acquired) in the brains; how and where language knowledge and language processing is represented in the brain, and how we can make its investigation measurable and visible; the genetic basis of language; and how participants in a conversation understand each other's intentions.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

TW1V19001

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PSYCHOLOGY OF LANGUAGE

Host Institution Campus

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Humanities

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