COURSE DETAIL

COMMUNITIES, SPEAKERS, TEXTS: PRAGMATIC AND SOCIOLINGUISTIC PERSPECTIVES ON ENGLISH

Country

Sweden

Host Institution

Uppsala University

Program(s)

Uppsala University

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Linguistics

UCEAP Course Number

106

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

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UCEAP Transcript Title

PRAG&SOCIOLING PERS

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

The course examines how the English language varies in use according to contextual factors. By applying theories and analytical frameworks from the fields of pragmatics and sociolinguistics, students discover how speakers and writers use the English language to communicate meanings, carry out actions, signal membership in speech communities, and achieve styles in talk and writing. In the pragmatics portion of the course, the ways in which meaning is context-dependent and the ways in which speakers achieve goals using language are considered. In the sociolinguistics portion of the course, the linguistic resources with which speakers show their connection to a given community and express identity are analyzed. Students use primarily qualitative research methods to complete assignments and short research papers. Examination is done in the form of oral presentations, written assignments, and written final examinations.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

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5EN166

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