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NOMBRE DE LA ASIGNATURA / SUBJECT NAME

Lingüística Contrastiva Aplicada a la Lengua Inglesa / English Contrastive Linguistics

CRÉDITOS ECTS / CREDITS

3 ECTS

CARÁCTER / TYPE OF SUBJECT

Optional

CUATRIMESTRE / SEMESTER

Second term

REQUISITOS PREVIOS RECOMENDADOS / RECOMMENDED REQUISITES

None

OBJETIVOS / OBJECTIVES

- To reflect upon the nature of contrastive research and upon terminological issues related with the field.
- To consider how Contrastive Linguistics has evolved from its dependence on Second Language Acquisition research to the advent of corpus-based contrastive studies.
- To explore new developments in contrastive analysis going beyond clause/sentence levels (Contrastive Discourse Analysis, Contrastive Pragmatics, and Contrastive Sociolinguistics).
- To reflect upon the way in which the analysis of data from various languages can contribute to the further refinement of linguistic theories.
- To reflect upon the ways in which recent analytical tools and categories of different linguistic models can be used in comparative research.
- To familiarize the students with the interactions between contrastive analysis and qualitative corpus research, advanced quantitative corpus techniques, and experimental psycholinguistic research.
- To reflect upon the challenges and problem that remain to be solved within the field of Contrastive Linguistics.

COMPETENCIAS / COMPETENCES

G01 - Ability to delve into those concepts, principles, theories or models related to the various areas of English Studies, as well as to become familiar with the methodology required to solve those problems typical of this field of study.

G02 - Ability to apply the knowledge gained/obtained within the multidisciplinary and multifaceted/versatile area of English Studies.

G03 - Ability to use the new information and communication technologies (ICTs) efficiently within the realm of English Studies.

G04 - Ability to present experiences, ideas or reports in public, as well as to express informed opinions based on criteria, external rules or personal reflections, for which a sufficient command of the academic and scientific language, both written and oral, will be necessary.

G05 - Abilities to investigate and manage new knowledge and information within the context of English Studies.

G06 - Ability to acquire/achieve critical thinking that will lead students to consider the relevance of the existing research in the fields of study that make up/shape/define English Studies, as well as the relevance of their own investigations.

G07 - Abilities to consolidate and develop the C2 linguistic competence in the spoken and written use of the English language.

G08 - Progressive autonomy in the learning process, personal/individual search for resources and information, by getting access/accessing (to) bibliographical and documentary references on the various areas that make up/define/shape English Studies.

G09 - Ability to carry out research work of an academic nature in the different realms of English Studies.

G10 - Ability to present and defend a research project by making use of the appropriate terminology and resources/tools within the area object of study.

E01 - Knowledge of the main methods of linguistic research.

E02 - Knowledge of the main resources, tools and methods for linguistic research.

CONTENIDOS / CONTENTS

1. A brief history of Contrastive Linguistics.
2. Terminological Issues. Basic principles of theoretical and applied Contrastive Linguistics.
3. Types of Contrastive Studies. Methodology of inter- and intra-linguistic comparison.
4. Contrastive Linguistics and Corpus Linguistics.
5. Practical applications of Contrastive Studies:
 - a) Translation Studies
 - b) Foreign Language Acquisition and Teaching
 - c) Lexicography
 - d) Diachronic/Synchronic Linguistics

METODOLOGÍA / TEACHING METHODOLOGY

Lectures and seminars will be combined with online activities via the university eLearning platform.

ACTIVIDADES FORMATIVAS / ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES
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- a) Total number of hours: 75 hours
- b) Class work: 14 hours
- c) On-line work: 10 hours
- d) Autonomous individual work: 51 hours

In-class activities	Hours	On-line activities	Hours	Student's individual work	Hours
Lectures	5	Forum and debates	4	Individual or group work	11
Practical seminars and students' presentations	7	Supervision of Students' progress	4	Writing activities, class presentations and additional tasks	20
Tutorials	2	Self-assessment	2	Reading activities, bibliographical search	20
Total number of class hours	14	Maximum number of hours of online work	10	Total number of hours devoted to individual work	51

EVALUACIÓN / ASSESSMENT

First opportunity (May/June)

Class attendance is compulsory.

Students will be assessed on the basis of class attendance and active participation in class discussions, completion of the activities proposed, and a written paper on any of the topics contained in the syllabus as well as its oral presentation.

The percentages of the final grade corresponding to the parameters to be assessed are the following:

- Attendance and participation in class activities and/or online activities: 20%
- Written paper and its oral presentation in class: 80%

Second opportunity (July)

The same assessment system applies for the July resit.

Students who are officially exempt from class attendance:

- Activities related to the course syllabus: 20%
- Written paper and its oral presentation in class: 80%

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