



Universitat de Lleida

DEGREE CURRICULUM
**HISTORY OF THE ENGLISH
LANGUAGE**

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Academic year 2020-21

Subject's general information

Subject name	HISTORY OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE			
Code	101263			
Semester	1st Q(SEMESTER) CONTINUED EVALUATION			
Typology	Degree	Course	Character	Modality
	Double degree: Bachelor's degree in English Studies and Bachelor's degree in Applied Languages and Translation	4	COMPULSORY	Attendance-based
	Bachelor's Degree in English Studies	3	COMPULSORY	Attendance-based
Course number of credits (ECTS)	6			
Type of activity, credits, and groups	Activity type	PRAULA		TEORIA
	Number of credits	3		3
	Number of groups	1		1
Coordination	MANCHO BARÉS, GUZMAN			
Department	ENGLISH AND LINGUISTICS			
Important information on data processing	Consult this link for more information.			
Language	English			

Teaching staff	E-mail addresses	Credits taught by teacher	Office and hour of attention
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Subject's extra information

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Learning objectives

- To explain how the English language has evolved from medieval times to the current situation
- To identify the most important orthographic, phonological, morphological, syntactic and lexical features of Old English, Middle English and Modern English
- To illustrate the impact of the most relevant historical facts to the linguistic system
- To apply etymological analysis to written historical texts
- To analyze the contribution of diachronic studies of English on English language teaching and learning processes
- To interpret Present-day English grammatical phenomena from a historical perspective

Competences

GENERAL COMPETENCES

- CG6 Work as a team (intra and interdisciplinary) and manage personal relationships
- CG16 Use terminology and techniques from the disciplinary or professional field

SPECIFIC COMPETENCES

- CE3 Describe the diachronic evolution of the English language, as well as the reasons and scope of its implementation as a global language
- CE6 Identify and implement the foundations of scientific research in linguistics, literature and culture in English
- CE7 Apply disciplinary knowledge to a professional context

Subject contents

- Unit 1. Introduction to History of the English Language (HEL)
 - The modern spelling system of English seen from a diachronic perspective
- Unit 2. Foundational principles of HEL and the external history of Old English and Middle English
- Unit 3. The internal history of Old English: phonology, morphology and syntax.
- Unit 4. The external and internal history of Middle English: phonology, morphology and syntax.
- Unit 5. Internal history of Early Modern English: phonological changes and vocabulary expansion

Methodology

During the academic year 2020-21, this subject will follow a mixed pedagogical model, combining face-to-face and virtual teaching.

In face-to-face classes, different learning methodologies will be implemented: interactive lectures, flipped classroom, sharing and correction of learning activities (ADA acronym in Catalan).

The virtual teaching hours will be mainly typified as autonomous learning hours. For this purpose, the students will be provided with learning materials and resources on the Virtual Campus to prepare the ADAs, which will be carried out individually or in groups. The following tools, available on SAKAI, will be used: wiki, creation of a new text, creation of a new web page, in addition to other tools available on the web that allow cooperative work.

It is possible to schedule synchronous videoconferences for the programmed virtual teaching hours of the subject. The tasks in these videoconferences would be (the list is not exhaustive):

- presentation of new content with PPT support by the instructor
- presentation of new content with PPT support by the students
- exercise correction and provision of corrective feedback

Development plan

This is a tentative distribution of the sessions according to the topics planned throughout the semestre:

- Week 1: Unit 1. Introduction to History of the English Language (HEL)
 - The modern spelling system of English seen from a diachronic perspective
- Week 2: Unit 2. Foundational principles of HEL and the external history of Old English
- Weeks 3-6: Unit 3. The internal history of Old English: phonology, morphology and syntax.
- Weeks 7-10: Unit 4. The external and internal history of Middle English: phonology, morphology and syntax.
- Weeks 11-14: Unit 5. Modern English: phonological changes and vocabulary expansion
- Week 15: Exam of the theoretical part (see Evaluation)

Evaluation

- Exams: 75%. Students need to pass both exams to pass the subject. If a student passes one exam but fails the other, the passing mark will be kept if s/he takes the resitting exam. In that case, the resitting exam of the part failed needs to be passed, to pass the subject.
 - date of the theoretical part: January, 15, 2021 (during class session) 40%
 - date of the practical part: January, 18, 2021 from 9-12pm (classroom 2.44) 35%
 - date of the resitting exam of both parts: February, 8, 2021 from 9-12pm (classroom 2.44)
- Written assignment: 25%. Etymological analysis of a text originally written in Middle English

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