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**Faculty of Arts**

**Department of English Language and Literature**

**Semester 1st , Year 2022- 2023**

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| **Course Syllabus** | |
| **Course code: 0120325** | | **Course Title: Syntax** | |
| **Course prerequisite (s) and/or corequisite (s): 0120220** | | **Course Level: 3rd year** | |
| **Credit hours: 3 credit hours** | | **Lecture Time: Mon-Wed**  **11:15- 12:45** | |

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|  |  | **Academic Staff Specifics** |  |  |
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**Course module description**

This course introduces Syntax as the branch of Linguistics that studies the structure of sentences. This course aims to equip students with knowledge about the syntactic structure of English. It also aims to enable students to know the correct use of language. Grammatical categories, phrases and sentences are discussed within the Minimalist approach. Students will study a variety of English sentence structures. These structures help students understand how words are grouped together to form phrases, clauses and sentences.

**Course module objectives**

* To provide students with a basic introduction to generative syntax.
* To cover the fundamentals of generative syntax (rules, trees, parts of speech, constituency, structural relations, binding theory), the base of generative syntax (X-bar theory), and basic transformations (Head-to-Head movement, NP/DP movement, Wh-movement, raising, control, and empty categories).
* To familiarize students with the basic concepts of generative syntax and enable them to apply the basic analytic tools to a new set of data and test linguistic hypotheses a particular theory makes.
* To introduce students to Minimalism as the latest version of generative syntax.

**Course/ module components**

* **Books (title , author (s), publisher, year of publication)**

Carnie, A. (2012). *Syntax: A generative introduction* (3rd ed.). London, UK: Wiley-Blackwell.

**Teaching methods:**

* Lectures: Lectures will be given on Mondays and Wednesdays for one hour and a half.
* Group Work: Due to online teaching, students will not work in groups during the class. However, they will get the chance to work in groups to do some assignments.
* Project: At the end of the course, students will be asked to present a topic related to any area of linguistics.
* Others: During online teaching, students will have the text book as a resource, besides the recorded lectures and uploaded materials on MS Teams.

**Student Learning Outcomes (SLO)**

At the end of the course, students should be able to

* Knowledge and Understanding

A1: know and understand the different approaches to the scientific study and analysis of English including the major schools of linguistics.

* Intellectual Skills

B5: read, comprehend, and critique a variety of specialized college-level texts in language, linguistics, and literature.

* Professional and Practical Skills
* General and Transferable Skills

D1: show ability to work with English confidently in real-life situations

D2: work independently and collaboratively.

**Assessment instruments:**

Evaluation of students’ performance (final grade) will be based on the following three categories:

Exams: Students will have a mid (30%) and final exam (50%).

Quizzes: Students will have some online quizzes throughout the term and the marks will be part of the participation mark (20%).

Assignments: Students will be given assignments throughout the term and the marks will be part of the participation mark (20%).

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| **Allocation of Marks** | |
| **Mark** | Assessment Instruments |
| 30 marks | Mid exam |
| 50 marks | Final exam |
| 20 marks | Project |
| 100 marks | Total |

**Documentation and academic honesty**

* Protection by copyright; Avoiding plagiarism.

Students are expected to complete all the assignments, quizzes and projects independently (unless otherwise specified). Working together in any activity other than group works, relying on students' work from previous semesters and/or plagiarizing published research is considered cheating. Plagiarism is a serious academic offense that will result in your failing the course.

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**Course/module academic calendar**

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| **Week** | **Subject** |
|  | Introduction to Linguistics |
|  | Introduction to the Generative Theory and Syntax |
|  | Generative Grammar & Parts of speech |
|  | Constituency, trees, and rules (1) |
|  | Constituency, trees, and rules (2) |
|  | X-bar theory (1) |
|  | X-bar theory (2) |
|  | Extending X-bar theory to functional categories |
|  | Exercises: drawing trees |
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|  | Binding Theory |
|  | Constraining X-bar theory: theta theory |
|  | Head-to-head movement |
|  | Ambiguity |
|  | Final exam |

**[[Expected workload**

On average students need to spend (3) hours of study and preparation for each lecture.

**Attendance policy**

Absence from lectures and/or tutorials shall not exceed 15%. Students who exceed the 15% limit without a medical or emergency excuse acceptable to and approved by the Dean of the relevant college/faculty shall not be allowed to take the final examination and well receive a fail grade for the course. If the excuse is approved by the Dean, the student shall be considered to have withdrawn from the course.

**Module references**

Books:

[Koeneman](https://www.cambridge.org/core/search?filters%5BauthorTerms%5D=Olaf%20Koeneman&eventCode=SE-AU), O. & [Zeijlstra](https://www.cambridge.org/core/search?filters%5BauthorTerms%5D=Hedde%20Zeijlstra&eventCode=SE-AU)Introducing, H. (2017). *Introducing Syntax*. Cambridge University Press.

Radford, A. (2004). *Minimalist syntax: Exploring the structure of English*. Cambridge University Press.‏

Website:

[**http://esl.fis.edu/learners/advice/syntax.htm**](http://esl.fis.edu/learners/advice/syntax.htm)

[**https://www.britannica.com/topic/Syntactic-Structures**](https://www.britannica.com/topic/Syntactic-Structures)