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Introduction to English linguistics : syntax and stylistics

5.00 credits	30.0 h + 5.0 h	Q2

Teacher(s)	Gilquin Gaëtanelle ;
Language :	English
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Prerequisites	Students have successfully completed a course in basic English grammar (LENG1123 or equivalent).
Main themes	The course unit introduces students to English syntax and stylistics. 1. Syntax: grammatical categories; syntactic and semantic functions; phrases; simple, compound and complex sentences 2. Stylistics: analysis of the lexical and syntactic characteristics of different varieties of English (e.g. spoken English; academic writing; language of newspapers)
Learning outcomes	**At the end of this learning unit, the student is able to :** 1 master the terminology of English syntax and stylistics 2 identify, explain and illustrate concepts and phenomena related to English syntax and stylistics 3 analyse a sentence syntactically and associate it with a tree representation 4 carry out a stylistic analysis of a short text This course unit contributes to the development and command of the following skills and learning outcomes of the ELAL programmes (ELAL learning outcomes): List of relevant numbers 1.4, 1.6 2.1, 2.6 3.2, 3.3, 3.5, 3.6 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.6 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, 6.4, 6.6
Evaluation methods	In this course, students are assessed in two ways: - Active participation in the activities proposed on Moodle (quizzes/exercises): 10% of the final grade. - Written exam in June and/or August/September: 90% of the final grade. As we are aiming to train language specialists, particular attention will be paid to language accuracy in the assignments and exams related to the course. For the same reason, the use of generative artificial intelligence is not allowed for any parts of the evaluation. Their use by the student will be considered as cheating, in the same way as plagiarism. In the case of resits (August/September exam session), students will have to retake a written exam and complete the Moodle activities not performed during the academic year.
Teaching methods	Combination of lectures and exercise sessions.
Content	This course provides a solid foundation in English syntax and stylistics.
Inline resources	Moodle
Bibliography	Carter, R. & McCarthy, M. (2006) Cambridge Grammar of English: A Comprehensive Guide. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Faculty or entity in charge	ELAL

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)

Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Learning outcomes
Minor in English Studies (only available for reenrolment and ELAL Bachelor transitional programmes)	MINANGL	5		
Bachelor in Modern Languages and Literatures: German, Dutch and English	GERM1BA	5		
Minor in Linguistics (only available for reenrolment)	MINLING	5		
Bachelor in Modern Languages and Literatures : General	ROGE1BA	5		