



## Department of English Studies

General information		
Name of the course	Introduction to Discourse Analysis	
Course instructor	Dr Martina Podboj	
Study programme	Undergraduate programme in English Language and Literature	
Status of the course	Elective	
Year of study	2022-2023 (winter semester)	
Language	English	
ECTS credits and manner of instruction	ECTS credits	2
	Number of class hours (Lectures + Exercises + Seminars)	0+0+30

1. COURSE DESCRIPTION
<b>1.1. Course objectives</b>
The main course objectives are to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- introduce the students to fundamental notions, problems, and methods in Discourse Analysis; seen in contemporary linguistics either as a subdiscipline of applied linguistics or as a method of describing language in its social context.</li><li>- encourage students to develop a critical awareness of language use and the skills and affinities for its analysis</li></ul>
<b>1.2. Course enrolment requirements and entry competences required for the course</b>
A good knowledge and understanding of main linguistic concepts and a good knowledge of English in speech and writing
<b>1.3. Expected course learning outcomes</b>
Upon course completion, students will be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- define the concepts of discourse, text, context, contextualization, discourse analysis, intertextuality, interdiscursivity, multimodality, and other related terms used in the field and to critically explain their different interpretations</li><li>- describe and evaluate different approaches within Discourse Analysis, their tenets and their methods</li><li>- individually observe and analyse language in use by using some of contemporary discourse-analytic approaches</li><li>- conduct a small-scale research project in which they will apply the knowledge and skills covered in the course.</li></ul>
<b>1.4. Course content</b>
This course covers the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- notions of <i>discourse</i> and <i>text</i> from the perspective of different periods and subdisciplines in linguistics</li><li>- structuralist and poststructuralist approaches to language description and analysis</li><li>- notions of co-text, context, contextualization, entextualization</li></ul>

- Multimodality, narrativity, and positioning in discourse
- Conversation analysis
- Critical Discourse Analysis
- Corpus-assisted discourse analysis and the analysis of Internet discourses
- Narrative analysis
- Methodological and practical aspects of various approaches to discourse analysis

### **1.5. Manner of instruction**

- ✓ Seminars and workshops
- ✓ Individual assignments
- ✓ Mentorship
- ✓ Presentations of students' projects