

	Course title: English Lexicology			
Course code	Status of course	Semester	ECTS credits	Contact hours per week
LEJ	Elective		4	2 + 2

Study programme(s): English language and literature

Eligibility requirements: /

Course objectives: The aim is to familiarise students with the fundamentals of English lexicology, as well as to expand the knowledge gained in English Morphology. Beside the historical overview of the development of English vocabulary, word formation processes, and the lexical and semantic word structure, students will be introduced to the basics of English lexicography, as well as with the ways which some disciplines, e.g. corpus and cognitive linguistics, approach the vocabulary research and its integration into multidisciplinary language research.

Learning outcomes:

Students will be able to use the knowledge gained in English morphology and to synthesise it with the basic lexicological issues. Students will be able to differentiate between lexicological level, i.e. etymological, phonological, syntactic and semantic links made by linguistics with lexicology as one of its disciplines. Students will be able independently to do lexicological research by using the presented selected linguistic tools.

Lecturer: Željka Babić, Ph. D.

Teaching methods and strategies: Lectures and tutorials. Progress tests and final exam. Students individual work at home. Group work

Course topics

Preparatory week	Preparation and student registration
Week 1	The overview of basic terms used in lexicological investigations
Week 2	The development of English vocabulary
Week 3	Investigating vocabulary – corpora of English and corpus linguistics
Week 4	The linguistic sign
Week 5	Morpheme, word, lexeme
Week 6	Word formation, features, and componential analysis of internal structure of words
Week 7	Lexical rules, semantic processes and the semantic structure of words
Week 8	Test 1
Week 9	Paradigmatic relations between words
Week 10	Syntagmatic relations between words
Week 11	The function of words
Week 12	Varieties of English
Week 13	Lexicology and lexicography
Week 14	Monolingual and bilingual dictionaries of English
Week 15	Test 2

Student workload

<u>Contact hours per week</u> 2 + 2	<u>Total contact hours in semester</u> 30 + 30
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It is obligatory for students to attend both the lectures and tutorials.

Course reading list:

Lipka, L. (2002). English Lexicology. Tübingen: Gunter Narr Verlag.
 Jackson, H. and E. Zé Amvela. (2007). Words, Meaning and Vocabulary: An Introduction to Modern English Lexicology London: Continuum.
 Halliday, M. A. K. and C. Yallop. (2007). Lexicology: A Short Introduction.: London: Continuum.
 Minkova, D. and R. Stockwell. (2009). English Words: History and Structure. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
 Harley, H. (2006). English Words: A Linguistic Introduction. Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishing.
 Kirkpatrick, A. (2007). World Englishes. Cambridge: CUP.

Assessment and marking:

5% class attendance (5 points maximum)

25% test 1 (25 points maximum)

25% test 2 (25 points maximum)

45% final exam (45 points maximum)

The final mark comprises of an aggregate of all four course assessments.

Specific course designation: /

Syllabus information provided by: Željka Babić, Ph.D.

Note: Students are obliged to attend the classes regularly and to participate in classes actively. Students who are absent from more than three lectures or tutorials during the semester will not qualify for the index signature. Students are obliged to do their homework regularly and they should dedicate a minimum of three hours a week to home study. Students are encouraged to consult the instructors during the office hours.

