## Université catholique de Louvain

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## Seminar: Spanish Linguistics

5.0 credits	15.0 h	2q	Ce cours bisannuel est
			dispensé en 2011-2012,
			2013-2014,

Teacher(s) :	De Cock Barbara ;
Language :	Espagnol
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Prerequisites :	Solid knowledge of Spanish linguistics and basic knowledge of pragmatics (in Spanish or in other languages). Level B2 for Spanish language.
Main themes :	The course will deal with the analysis of a linguistic phenomenon through a multilevel approach (syntax, pragmatics, discourse analysis). A critical overview of existing theories and descriptions will be elaborated, based on a course reader and subsequent discussions in class. This overview will be combined with a corpus-based analysis of contemporary Spanish data, for which students will have to make and justify methodological choices.
Aims :	Ability to select appropriate methodologies for constituting and treating linguistic corpora, and to problematize a research question while taking into account the relationships between language and context. Ability to analyze spoken and written production in Spanish, while taking into account, historical, regional, social and stylistic variation Awareness of the relationship between theoretical approaches and methodological practice. Understanding and application of the basic methods and techniques for the analysis of linguistic data. Ability to recognize linguistic problems, to critically reflect on common misconceptions of language. Ability to identify linguistic units, the relations among them and processes affecting them. Ability to distinguish the different levels of linguistic analysis. Ability to identify different types and sources of linguistic and non-linguistic meaning <i>The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s)</i> <i>can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit"</i> .
Evaluation methods :	The evaluation of the course will be based on the discussions in class, the presentation of research results and discussion of the results of the peers (for instance the capacity to formulate relevant critical questions and to compare one's own results with the results of the peers). By consequence, the evaluation will be done partially in a continuous form and partially at the final oral exam.
Teaching methods :	The course will be organized as a research seminar. Students will have to read various articles at home. This reading will be followed by a discussion in class. Moreover, students will develop a corpus-based case study, for which they will analyze complementary topics and corpora, so as to be able to compare their results at a larger scale. They will present their results and comment on their peers' results.
Content :	The course will deal with the analysis of a linguistic phenomenon through a multilevel approach (syntax, pragmatics, discourse analysis,'). A critical overview of existing theories and descriptions will be elaborated, based on a course reader and subsequent discussions in class. This overview will be combined with a corpus-based analysis of contemporary Spanish data, for which students will have to make and justify methodological choices.
Bibliography :	The course reader for this year's topic will be available on the i-campus page of this course.
Other infos :	None.
Cycle and year of study :	<ul> <li>Master [60] in Modern Languages and Literatures : General</li> <li>Master [120] in French and Romance Languages and Literatures : General</li> <li>Master [120] in Modern Languages and Literatures : General</li> <li>Master [120] in Linguistics</li> </ul>
Faculty or entity in charge:	ROM