LROM1221
2014-2015

French Linguistics I : Analysis of Contemporary French

5.0 credits	30.0 h + 15.0 h	1q

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Language :	Français
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Prerequisites :	FLTR1530 "Introduction aux sciences du langage"
Main themes :	Course activities are articulated around three axes: - acquisition and manipulation of theoretical concepts useful for the formal description of linguistic facts linked to the different fields of language; - practical application of linguistic analysis methods applied to contemporary French on the basis of remarkable linguistic phenomenon (ex. French liaison); - reflection on French as a mother tongue, its communicative resources (production and reception) and its modes of operation.
Aims :	By the end of the course and exercise tutorials, students will be able to: - apply the analytical methods of the the main fields of linguistics (phonetics/phonology, morphology, lexical analysis, syntax,) within formal (structural, functional and generative methods) or variationist (esp. sociolinguistic) approaches to contemporary French; these methods must be applied to attested or created (introspective) data; - distinguish scientific and normative points of view on language and take a critical stance towards value judgements about French usage; - to relate this metalinguistic knowledge to the development of linguistic and discursive skills in French. *The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".*
Evaluation methods :	Active participation in the course and practical work -- reading: to send a one-page summary by e-mail -- preparation of the practical work -- revision exercises Written exam -- duration: 2 hours -- knowledge : questions on definitions of linguistic notions -- application: exercises similar to those done during practical work -- analysis: treatment of an analysis question on a unseen case
Teaching methods :	30 hours of lectures + 15 hours of practical work. 5 ECTS, i.e. about 7 hours of work a week (2 hours of course + 1 hour of practical work + 4 hours of personal work).
Content :	Introduction Attitudes to language. Standard French and variations Chapter 1. Phonetics and phonology (Basic concepts of phonology. The phonological system of contemporary French. Schwa. Liaison) Chapter 2. Writing and spelling (The graphic plurisystem of French. Variation in spelling. Practices of the norm) Chapter 3. Lexicography (Types and structure of dictionaries. Regional lexical variants. The dictionary of Belgian French words, a differential dictionary. Belgian French words in French reference dictionaries. Chapter 4. Syntax (Phrase and syntagm, the basic units. Syntactic categories. Grammatical categories and verb complementation. Syntax of distance / proximity language.)
Bibliography :	See course material
Other infos :	Course material : (1) Syllabus available at DUC; (2) DVD "Parole & mp; Langue. Parcours et exercices de linguistique" (2009) (on sale at DUC)

Cycle and year of study :	> Bachelor in Psychology and Education : Speech and Language Therapy > Bachelor in Ancient and Modern Languages and Literatures > Preparatory year for Master in French and Romance Languages and Literatures: General > Bachelor in French and Romance Languages and Literatures : General > Preparotory year for Master in French and Romance Languages and Literatures: French as a Second Language > Preparatory Year for Master in Ancient and Modern Languages and Literatures > Bachelor in Information and Communication > Bachelor in Philosophy > Bachelor in Pharmacy > Bachelor in Ancient languages and Literatures : Classics > Bachelor in Modern Languages and Literatures: German, Dutch and English > Bachelor in Economics and Management > Bachelor in Motor skills : General > Bachelor in Human and Social Sciences > Bachelor in Modern Languages and Literatures : General > Bachelor in Sociology and Anthropology > Bachelor in Political Sciences: General > Bachelor in History of Art and Archaeology : General > Bachelor in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies > Bachelor in Mathematics > Bachelor in History > Bachelor in Biomedicine > Bachelor in religious studies > Preparatory year for Master in Linguistics > Preparatory year for Master in Modern Languages and Literatures: General > Bachelor in Computer Science
Faculty or entity in charge:	ROM