

Faculty of Arts and Letters



GERM1513 Introduction to German linguistics: syntax and pragmatics

[22.5h+5h exercises] 4 credits

This course is taught in the 1st semester

Teacher(s): Joachim Sabel
Language: German
Level: First cycle

Aims

Acquisition of the foundations of German linguistics with respect to German Syntax and Pragmatics. The most fundamental empirical generalizations from the two linguistic fields will be discussed and the theoretical instruments for explaining them within modern linguistic theory.

Main themes

1. Study of syntax and pragmatics/semantics with special reference to German
2. Reading of scientific work within this field
3. Critical discussion of the relevant concepts

Content and teaching methods

The structure des constituants, case, valency/subcategorization, agreement, the positions of the verb in German), the concept of phrase structure(s), the distribution of reflexives and pronouns. The foundations of speech acts and semantic theory.

Other information (prerequisite, evaluation (assessment methods), course materials recommended readings, ...)

Prerequisite : GERM 1313.

Evaluation : * Partial (written) test in German, optional. The test will be written at the end of the first quadrimester.

* General (written) test in German, obligatory. The test will be written in June and September.

A syllabus for this course (written in German) is available.

Other credits in programs

GERM13BA	Troisième année de bachelier en langues et littératures modernes, orientation germaniques	(4 credits)
GERM1PM	Année d'études préparatoires au master en langues et littératures modernes, orientation germanique	(4 credits)
LING1PM	Année d'études préparatoires au master en linguistique	(4 credits)
ROGE13BA	Troisième année de bachelier en langues et littératures modernes, orientation générale	(4 credits)
ROGE1PM	Année d'études préparatoires au master en langues et littératures modernes, orientation générale	(4 credits)