

Faculty: Social Sciences

Study program: Language and Literature

Course Title: Lexicology and Semantics

Course Credits: 5

Language of Instruction: Albanian

Course Description: The course deals with the description of meaning at various levels, with emphasis on the word and clause levels. The relationships between various words are studied (synonymy, antonymy, homonymy, etc.) as is the relationship between different uses of the same word (polysemy). Synchronous semantic variation is related to semantic change over time. The relationship between language, people, and reality is discussed from various perspectives.

Course Goals:

The course provides basic knowledge of the Albanian language and its lexicon. Students learn how to recognize and distinguish correctly different lexical and semantic categories. The course enables them to analyze the meaning of the words seeing it as a system of components of meaning. The paradigmatic groups of words and the layers of the lexicon of the Albanian language are also important topics in the course

On the practical level, students will be able to distinguish the Albanian word from the borrowed one. Practical work (in seminars with literature and exercises), such as discussion, analysis, synthesis, comparison, and other inductive methods will be used to train students in scientific research with the aim of reaching conclusions independently. From rich material in lectures and seminars and from continuous work with dictionaries, they also enrich their lexicon.

Course Requirements: The continued assessments which contribute to course grading include: Attendance and participation during seminar sessions (10 points); Partial evaluation (15 points); written assignments or discussions (15 points).

Grading:

- Continued assessments	40 points
- Final exam	60 points

- Total	100 points

Course Schedule: 4 hours per week