Topics in Psycholinguistics

Syllabus

Course Identification

**Course Title**: Topics in Psycholinguistics  **Course Code**: ENG 681

**Contact hours:** 2

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Course Description:

The course discusses topics related to psycholinguistics. The topics cover a range of areas about language perception, language acquisition, and psycholinguistic research.

Evaluation:

**Presentations: 20 marks**

**Midterm exam: 25 marks**

**Term project (book review): 15 marks**

**Final exam: 40 marks**

Reference Books:

Fernández, E. M., & Cairns, H. S. (2011). *Fundamentals of psycholinguistics*. Chichester, West Sussex, U.K.: Wiley-Blackwell.

Supplementary material:

Refereed Articles

Schedule:

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| **Topic** | **Week** |
| Introduction | 1 |
| The nature of linguistic competence (the mental lexicon). | 2 |
| The biological basis of language. | 3 |
| The acquisition of language (I) | 4 |
| The acquisition of language (II) | 5 |
| Producing speech (I) | 6 |
| Producing speech (II) | 7 |
| **Presentations** | 8 |
| **MT Exam (19 November 2017)** | 9 |
| Speech perception and lexical access (I) | 10 |
| Speech perception and lexical access (II) | 11 |
| Structural processing  | 12 |
| Discourse processing  | 13 |
| **Presentations** | 14 |
| Open discussion | 15 |