Sample Course Description

Faculty: Foreign Languages

Study program: Italian Language

Course Title: Introduction to Linguistics

Course Credits: 6

Language of Instruction: Italian

Course Description: Introduction to Linguistics is a basic course laying the foundation of linguist' professional expertise. The discipline aims to raise students' awareness of what linguistics is, what and how it studies. It prepares students for further in-depth study of other related subjects. The discipline gives the basic knowledge of such issues as the language, its structure, functioning in the society, the properties of language as a sign system, functions of language, language structure, correlation between language and speech, the structure of language, types of language units.

Course Goals: - The discipline familiarizes students with the object, aims, and methods of general and special linguistics and prepares them for further in-depth study of language-related issues. - The discipline gives an idea of general principles of language evolution, structure, and functioning. - The discipline develops the students' knowledge of such issues as the linguistic sign, language structure, language and speech, the structure of language, types of language units, linguistic diversity, genealogical and typological classification of languages etc.

Course Requirements:

Attendance: Lectures and seminars 75%

Assessment: Attendance 10%, continuous assessment 20%, final eaxam 70%

Grading: The lowest grade is 5 and the highest grade is 10.

46-55 points	5
56-65 points	6
66-75 points	7
76-85 points	8
86-95 points	9
96-100 points	10

Course Schedule: Semester I, 30 lectures and 30 seminars

Sample Course Description

Faculty: Foreign Languages

Study program: Italian Language

Course Title: Intercultural communication

Course Credits: 7

Language of Instruction: Italian

Course Description This course explores the theoretical frameworks and practical strategies for communicating across cultural boundaries. Key topics include the basis for cultural communication and sensitivity, the impact of the international environment on communication and the development of communication strategies across cultures.

Course Goals: - The goal of this course is to provide the students with the theoretical and practical framework allowing them to analyze and acquire a deeper understanding of different cultures with whom they will interface. Students will be familiarized with the basic concepts and will be made aware of their importance. They will develop sensitivity for the perception of specific aspects of national cultures and become aware of one's own identity in comparison with other national identities. Students will be able to use the acquired knowledge in the communication process in the international environment. They will respect cultural variations.

Course Requirements:

Attendance: Lectures and seminars 75%

Assessment: Attendance 10%, continuous assessment 20%, final eaxam 70%

Grading: The lowest grade is 5 and the highest grade is 10.

46-55 points	5
56-65 points	6
66-75 points	7
76-85 points	8
86-95 points	9
96-100 points	10

Course Schedule: Semester II, 28 lectures and 42 seminars

Sample Course Description

Faculty: Foreign Languages

Study program: Italian Language

Course Title: Writing skills 1

Course Credits: 12

Language of Instruction: Italian

Course Description The discipline aims to develop knowledge, skills and abilities related to the writing of argumentative texts. Issues related to writing will be addressed, starting from the definition of what can be considered a well-organized text; the following will illustrate the fundamental characteristics of the various textual typologies, particular attention will be given to the informative-argumentative ones. Topics related to grammar, spelling, the use of linguistic tools such as connective and interpointive, and the relationships that may exist between words such as homonymy, synonymy, lexical solidarity, semantic restriction will also be addressed. Part of the course will cover sources and their use.

Course Goals: - At the end of the course, students will be able to: understand the functioning of a well-constructed text (syntax and textuality); distinguish and use information sources (traditional and network); - recognize the different types of text; draw up summaries of articles/reports/passages; write a review, an informative article; produce a short text with an argumentative structure

Course Requirements:

Attendance: seminars 75%

Assessment: Attendance 10%, continuous assessment 20%, final eaxam 70%

Grading: The lowest grade is 5 and the highest grade is 10.

46-55 points	5
56-65 points	6
66-75 points	7
76-85 points	8
86-95 points	9
96-100 points	10

Course Schedule: Semester I+II, 120 seminars