

Course Specification for Psycholinguistics

College	Zulfi College of Education		
Department	English Language Department		
Course Name:	Psycholinguistics	Course Code	ENGL 427
Level	9	Credit Hours	2 hrs.
Course Objective	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.Understand Mind and Language relationship 2.Have the theoretical understanding of language acquisition. 3.Analyses of the challenges of language learning 4.Understand nature of second language learning 		
Course Content	<p>.Course orientation Introduction to psycholinguistics: definition, basic ideas, theories, terms and methods</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Psycholinguistics and its neighboring disciplines and subfields: philosophy, psychology, biolinguistics, neurolinguistics, cognitive science, developmental psycholinguistics, applied psycholinguistics, 		
	<p>Theories of language learning and acquisition :Approaches to First Language Acquisition Behaviorism (B.F. Skinner) UG (Noam Chomsky) & Nativism Interactionism (CDS; Motherese) Emergentism, Usage-based Theories, DST Approach Second Language acquisition vs. First Language Acquisition</p>		
	<p>.Language and the Brain,(language production and perception issues) Language Pathology and Speech Disorders (brain damage and dyslexia, aphasia, apraxia, dysarthria, etc.).</p>		
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. The psycholinguistics aspects of lexicon, grammar, syntax and word/sentence meaning. 		
	<p>.The psychological and cognitive aspects of text and discourse</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. 		
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Language Thought and Society and Cognition , The Whorfian hypothesis and the overlap with sociolinguistics 		
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Applied Psycholinguistic issues (e.g. psycholinguistics and language) 		
	<p>New perspectives and methods in psycholinguistics.</p>		
Required Textbook	Danny D. Steinberg and Natalia V. Sciarini (2006) An Introduction to Psycholinguistics. (2nd edition) Pearson: Harlow		

Materials (Journals, Reports, etc.)
Scovel, Thomas. (1998). Psycholinguistics (Oxford introduction to language study). Oxford:
OUP.



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