

Course Title: Special Course and Seminar – English Language

Course code: MCEN0943

Type of course: compulsory

Level of course: MA

Year of study: 2nd

Semester: 4th

Name of the lecturer: Laura Carmen Cuțitaru

Number of ECTS credits allocated: 8

Course objective: The course aims at familiarizing the MA students with the basic concepts in American linguistics, with an emphasis on Chomskyan and post-Chomskyan linguistics.

Course contents: After a bird's eye view meant to provide students with an understanding of the cultural and scientific context, the latest information about the evolution of linguistics towards psychology and cognitive sciences will be shared.

Recommended reading: Chomsky, Noam. *Knowledge of Language: Its Nature, Origin, and Use*. New York: 1986; Devitt, M. & Sterenly, K. *Limbaj și realitate*. Iași: Polirom, 2000; Fodor, Jerry. *The Language of Thought*. Harvard UP, 1975; Pinker, Steven. *The Language Instinct*. New York: 1994; Whorf, B.L. *Language, Thought and Reality*, MIT Press, 1956

Teaching methods: lectures

Assessment: homework, final test (written)

Language of instruction: English