**Course title**: Specialized Languages
**Course code**: LM813_E, LM814_F, LM814_G
**Type of course**: compulsory
**Level of course**: BA
**Year of study**: 1st
**Semester**: 1st
**Number of ECTS credits allocated:** 5
**Name of the lecturer:** Daniela Dobos
**Course objective**: the course, held in English, is meant to familiarize the students with the notion of linguistic registers, so that they will be able to analyze from both the theoretical and applied viewpoints, texts belonging to various types of registers/ specialized languages. Students will also learn to appreciate the values of science and to read scientific texts.
**Course contents**: Nature and functions of language; Variation in language – dialectic si diatypic; The concept of specialized language/ language subsystem in the work of the most important authors (M.A.K. Halliday, D. Crystal, J.Sager); Origins and evolution of the language of science in Britain; what is science; Criteria for the identification of language subsystems; Origins of specialized languages, with emphasis on the language of science; Concepts; Morphological, syntactic, semantic and pragmatic characteristics of specialized languages; Grammatical metaphor and nominalization; Types of specialized texts; Special and artificial languages.
**Recommended reading:**
Dobos, D. 2000. *English Special Languages and Nominality*, Ed. Demiurg, Iasi ; Ghadessy, M. (ed). 1993. *Register Analysis. Theory and Practice*, Frances Pinter, London ; Halliday, M.A.K. & J.R. Martin. 1993. *Writing Science: Literacy and Discursive Power,* U of Pittsburgh Press, Pittsburgh; Roventa-Frumusani, D. 1995. *Semiotica discursului stiintific*, Ed. Stiintifica, Bucuresti; Sager, J.C. 1994. *Language Engineering and Translation*, Amsterdam/Philadelphia, John Benjamins.
**Teaching methods**: lectures, interactive techniques
**Assessment methods**: written exam
**Language of instruction**: English