

Course title: English Language: the History of English

Course code: EN1061 (A), EN1064 (B)

Type of course: compulsory

Level of course: BA

Year of study: 3rd

Semester: 6th

Number of ECTS credits allocated: 5/5

Name of the lecturer: Adrian Poruciuc

Course objective: The lectures (held in English) are meant to familiarize students with the periods known as Old English, Middle English and Early Modern English, with a special focus on changes specific to passages from one period to another (in regard to pronunciation, writing, grammar and vocabulary).

Course contents: (a) Lectures will deal, chronologically, with Old English, Middle English and Early Modern English issues. In preparing for tests, students will make use of information transmitted through lectures and seminars, as well as of knowledge extracted from recommended bibliography.

(b) During seminars, students will have the opportunity to approach texts specific to the above-mentioned periods. The illustrative material will include fragments from the Old English version of Bede's *History*, the *Anglo-Saxon Chronicle*, the *Peterborough Chronicle*, Chaucer, etc.

Recommended reading: Baugh, A.C./ Th. Cable, 1978. *A History of the English Language*. Prentice Hall; Poruciuc, Adrian, 2004. *A Concise History of the English Language*. Iași: Casa Editorială *Demiurg*; Sweet, Henry, 1966. *First Middle English Primer*. Oxford: Clarendon; Whitelock, Dorothy (ed.), 1970. *Sweet's Anglo-Saxon Reader*. Oxford: Clarendon; Iarovici, Edith, 1970. *A History of the English Language*. București: Editura Didactică.

Teaching methods: interactive lectures, workshop-seminars

Assessment methods: homeworks; final (written) test

Language of instruction: English