

Course title: Text/Language Theory and Practice

Course code: IT0943 (A), IT0946 (B)

Course type: compulsory

Level of the course: BA

Year of study: 2nd

Semester: 4th

Number of ECTS credits allocated: 5/5

Name of the lecturer: Gabriela Dima

Course objective: Practical use of Italian. Introducing students to text writing techniques. Students should become familiar with the peculiarities and diversity of linguistic aspects of contemporary Italian as well as the numerous lexical, morphological and syntactic transformations that contemporary Italian has known in the past decades.

Course contents: The course will describe the stages and elements of text writing (choice of the subject, establishing the purpose and the readers, organizing a work plan, identifying sources and documentation, writing, revision). Taking into account the need for preparing the diploma paper and the work necessary during the master degree programme, the course activities will focus on persuasive argumentative writing applied to a specific field: the scientific article, the review, publishing humanistic sciences research results.

Recommended reading: Cremascoli, Ferdinanda, *Manuale di scrittura*, Bollati Boringhieri, Torino, 1998; Patota, G., *Grammatica di riferimento della lingua italiana per stranieri*, Firenze, Le Monnier, 2003; Seriani, L., *Grammatica italiana. Italiano comune e lingua letteraria*, Torino, UTET, 1991

Teaching methods: lectures, debates, brain-storming

Assessment methods: 50% practical works; 50% final test (written)

Language of instruction: Italian