

Course title: Language Morphosyntax and Semantic Problems (II)

Course code: MCIT0821

Course type: compulsory

Level of the course: MA

Year of study: 1st

Semester: 2nd

Number of ECTS credits allocated: 8

Name of the lecturer: Mirela Aioane

Course objective: To introduce students to the restandardization tendencies of contemporary Italian; to provide an overview of the contemporary Italian linguistic repertoire; new tendencies in word formation in Contemporary Italian. Grammar notions: logical and semantic structure of the compound sentence and contextual, referential and pragmatic information.

Course contents: The semantic component and the pragmatic force of the sentence. Deixis. Context and pragmatic perspective. The language of the young, a variety of the colloquial register. Italian diatopic varieties. Lexical and morphosyntactic characteristics. Contemporary Italian lexis. Diastratic varieties. The popular Italian language. General linguistic characteristics. Linguistic analysis of contemporary literary texts (G.Culicchia), Linguistic aspects in the novel *I Malavoglia* by G.Verga.

Recommended reading: Andorno, Cecilia, *Che cos'è la pragmatica linguistica?*, Roma, Carocci, 2008; Bazzanella, Carla, *Le facce del parlare*, Firenze, La Nuova Italia, 1994; Bianchi, Claudia, *Pragmatica del linguaggio*, Bari, Laterza, 2003; Levinson, S.,C., *La Pragmatica*, Bologna, Il Mulino, 1993; Sobrero, A (a cura di...), *Introduzione all'italiano contemporaneo. La variazione e gli usi*, Bari-Roma, Laterza, 1993

Teaching methods: lectures, interactive approaches

Assessment methods: 50% ongoing evaluation; 50% final test (written)

Language of instruction: Italian