

Course Description

Course Unit

English in the World

UC Code

13004

ECTS Credits

6 ECTS

Work Hours

168H (6 ECTS)

Level

BA

Academic year and Semester

2024/2025, S2

Faculty

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Class

TP 1

Language of instruction

English

Class Description

1. The English-speaking world in the 21st century.
 - 1.1 Spread and foundations.
 - 1.2 Models of expansion; the relevance and limits of Kachru's concentric circles.
2. The inner circle.
 - 2.1 Traditional standard variety(ies): identification and present status.
 - 2.2 Other national varieties: structural and sociolinguistic description of Australian English; other

examples to be defined according to students' interests.

3. The outer circle.

3.1 New Englishes: sociolinguistic issues and structural tendencies; the case of Indian English; other examples to be defined according to students' interests.

3.2 Pidgins and creoles: structural and sociolinguistic tendencies; examples.

4. The expanding circle.

4.1 From EFL to ELF.

4.2 Consequences of the internationalisation of English: international diglossia, Anglicisation, and the new contexts for ELT.

Grading and Assessment

The final mark results from three components: (i) oral participation (20%), (ii) a written test (40%) and (iii) either another written test or an individual research paper (40%).

Bibliography

Prerequisites (if applicable)
