

Course Description

Course Unit

Topics of German Linguistics

UC Code

LAC2.62233

ECTS Credits

6 ECTS

Work Hours

168H (6 ECTS)

Level

BA

Academic year and Semester

2024/2025, S2

Faculty

Jakob Maché

Class

TP 1

Language of instruction

English

Class Description

This course will address the following aspects of German grammar:

1. Introduction into prosody and intonation
2. Prosodic constituency (Booij 1985, Wiese 1996, Hall 1999, Raffelsiefen 2000, Marina Nespór and Vogel 2007)
3. Syntactic constituency
4. Information Structure
5. Mapping prosody to syntax

6. Pitch and illocutionary force
7. German ToBI: Pitch Accents and Boundary Tones (Grice, Baumann, and Benz Müller 2005, Peters 2018)
8. The semantic interpretation of intonation (cf. Pierrehumbert and Hirschberg 1990, Truckenbrodt 2012, Truckenbrodt 2013, Steedman 2014)
9. Variation of prosody and intonation in German varieties (Gibbon 1998, Gussenhoven and Peters 2004, Peters 2006)
10. Intonation in second language acquisition (Braun, Galts, and Kabak 2014)

Grading and Assessment

1. Participation (Homework, smaller tasks, discussion) 25 %
2. One test: 35 %
3. Oral presentation: 15%
4. Written paper: 25 %

Bibliography

None

Prerequisites (if applicable)

None