

Syllabus

Course Description

Course Title	Agency and multilingualism
Course Code	53154
Course Title Additional	
Scientific-Disciplinary Sector	L-LIN/14
Language	German
Degree Course	Master in Social Work and Social Policy
Other Degree Courses (Loaned)	
Lecturers	Prof. Dr. Ildikò Erika Stephanie Risse, Stephanie.Risse@unibz.it https://www.unibz.it/en/faculties/education/academic-staff/person/12298
Teaching Assistant	
Semester	Second semester
Course Year/s	1
CP	4
Teaching Hours	24
Lab Hours	0
Individual Study Hours	76
Planned Office Hours	12
Contents Summary	Study of agency in the context of multilingualism: linguistic competence, identity formation, and social interaction.
Course Topics	Analysis of how multilingual speakers actively use linguistic resources to perform social actions. Study of language choice, code-switching, and power relations. Theoretical approaches to agency and multilingualism.
Keywords	Agency, Multilingualism, Communication
Recommended Prerequisites	Knowledge of German B2
Propaedeutic Courses	/

Teaching Format	lecturers, exercises, in person
Mandatory Attendance	In accordance with the regulation
Specific Educational Objectives and Learning Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Understand concepts of agency and multilingualism - Analyze linguistic practices in social contexts - Reflect on power and identity in multilingualism - Apply theoretical models to empirical data <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - analyze linguistic agency in multilingual contexts - evaluate the role of agency in language choice and code-switching - develop critical perspectives on power and identity - apply theoretical approaches to research findings
Specific Educational Objectives and Learning Outcomes (additional info.)	Problem identification and application of what has been learned in practical work
Assessment	<p>Oral examination on the contents of the course, maximum duration 15 minutes for students who were present.</p> <p>Oral examination on the contents of the course and written assignment (max. 5 pages) for students who were not present.</p>
Evaluation Criteria	<p>Accuracy and completeness: Answer the questions with correct and complete information.</p> <p>Argumentation: arguments presented clearly, coherently and logically.</p>
Required Readings	Hoffmann, Ludger (2010 ³): Sprache und Handlung. In: ders. Sprachwissenschaft. Ein Reader, De Gruyter Brill, S. 155-162
Supplementary Readings	<p>Heugh, Kathleen et al. (2021). A Sociolinguistics of the South (Chapter One). In: ders. A Sociolinguistics of the South, Taylor and Francis, pp. 1-19</p> <p>https://doi.org/10.4324/9781315208916</p>

Further Information	The literature listed is available online via the unibz library. Further literature is available in the course.
Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)	Quality education, Peace, justice and strong institutions, Reduced inequalities