

Course title	Normative grammar III (Word formation)
Course code	Valo2191
Credit points	2
ECTS credit points	3
Total contact hours	40
Number of hours for seminars and practical assignments	40

Course developers

Dr.Philol. Anatolijs Kuzņecovs

Dr.Philol. Gaļina Pitkeviča

Dr.Philol. Inna Dvorecka

Course abstract

The course is envisaged for students of Bachelor program "Philology". The course acquaints the students with the types of morphemes in Russian, their functions and meaning; the types of word formation; the synchronic motivation of words and diachronic derivation.

Results

Trained in the courses students are able to

- handle successfully a variety of uncomplicated communicative tasks in straightforward social situations;
- meet a number of practical writing needs: their writing style closely resembles oral discourse, they show evidence of control of basic sentence structure and verb forms;
- understand simple, sentence-length speech in a variety of basic personal and social contexts; - read and understand short, non-complex texts that convey basic information and deal with basic personal and social topics to which the reader brings personal interest or knowledge;
- use basic morphemic structures;
- understand basics of the Russian word-formation system.

Course plan

1. Morphemics – linguistic discipline that explores the morphemic system of a language, its relations with phonetics, morphology and word-formation. Morpheme – the minimal meaningful unit of language. Its differences from words and sentences.
2. Classification of morphemes: root and affix; Free and bound; prefixes, suffixes, Postfix, interfix, confix; word-formation and derivational affixes.
3. Morphonology: alternation, abruption, haplology (ascending), interfixation.
4. Word-formation – the study of the regularities of word formation.
5. Synchronic derivation types.
6. Derivation type, derivative nest, category, paradigm, chain, pair. Derivative productivity.

7. Word-formation in colloquial speech.
8. Word-formation dictionaries.
9. Root. Affix: suffixes, prefixes, suffixes. Zero morphemes.
10. Morpheme combinations: stem, suffix, finale.
11. Morphemic structure of word.
12. Word-formation techniques in Russian: Derivation or affixation, a compound word-formation, abbreviation, conversion, etc.
13. Affixation. Concepts of affixation: base word, word-formation formants. Ways and means of affixation.

Students' individual work:

Compound word-formation.

Derivative system of the parts of speech. Word-formation analysis.

Course content

Morphemics – linguistic discipline that explores the morphemic system of a language, its relations with phonetics, morphology and word-formation. Morpheme – the minimal meaningful unit of language. Its differences from words and sentences. Classification of morphemes: root and affix; Free and bound; prefixes, suffixes, Postfix, interfix, confix; word-formation and derivational affixes. Morphology: alternation, abruption, haplology (ascending), interfixation. Word-formation – the study of the regularities of word formation. Synchronic derivation types. Derivation type, derivative nest, category, paradigm, chain, pair. Derivative productivity. Word-formation in colloquial speech. Word-formation dictionaries.

Requirements for awarding credit points Course

examination form:

- Differentiated test. Requirements for acquisition of the course:
- Regular attendance and active work, homework – not less than 70%, - Individual work - 30%.

Compulsory reading

1. Волохина Г.А., Попова З.Д. Русские приставочные глаголы и их значение: практическое пособие для практ. Занятий. Воронеж: Изд-во ВГУ, 1994.
2. Земская Е.А. Современный русский язык. Словообразование: Учебное пособие / Москва: Флинта, 2007
3. Красильникова Л.В. Уроки по русскому словообразованию для иностранных учащихся. Москва: Изд-во МГУ, 2001.
4. Красильникова Л.В. Словообразовательный компонент коммуникативной компетенции иностранных учащихся-филологов. Москва: МАКС Пресс, 2011.
5. Чиркин Н. С. Словообразование современного русского языка. Ер.: Лингва, 2007.

Further reading

1. Диброва Е.И., Касаткин Л.Л., Щеболева И.И. Современный русский язык. Фонетика и орфоэпия, графика и орфография, лексикология и фразеология, морфемика и словообразование. Ростов-на-Дону, 1997.
2. Земская Е.А. Словообразование как деятельность. Москва, 1992.
3. Милославский И.Г. Вопросы словообразовательного синтеза. Москва, 1980.
4. Практикум по словообразованию современного русского литературного языка. Часть 1. Морфемика / сост. Н.Н. Бебриш. – Красноярск, 2011.

5. Современный русский язык. Словообразование, морфонология, морфология. Под ред. П.П. Шубы. Минск, 1998.
6. Тихонов А.Н. Словообразовательный словарь русского языка: В 2-х т. / А.Н. Тихонов. 3-е изд., испр. и доп. М., 2003.

Periodicals and other sources

Журналы "Русский язык за рубежом", "Филологические науки", "Русская речь". www.gramota.ru, www.philology.ru, www.ruslang.ru