



REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA
UNIVERSITY OF TIRANA
FACULTY OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES
DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH



COURSE SYLLABUS
Language B Varieties

Workload: 4 ECTS credits, 20 hours of lectures, 20 hours of seminars

Year / Semester: Year II, Semester II

Course Type: Compulsory

Study Program: Bachelor in English Language

Code of Ethics: UT Code of Ethics (Articles 4, 6, 7, 9)

COURSE DESCRIPTION AND LEARNING OUTCOMES:

General Course Objectives: This course aims to equip students with basic knowledge about the varieties of the English language and linguistic variation within the frameworks of geolinguistics and sociolinguistics. It also aims to enable students to use these varieties correctly in practice and to encourage the use of resources such as dictionaries and standard texts for the independent development of their language competence.

Specific Course Objectives:

1. To identify and analyze the major varieties of the English language (e.g., British, American, Australian English, etc.) within geolinguistic and sociolinguistic contexts.
2. To distinguish and interpret the social, geographic, and cultural factors that influence English language variation.
3. To apply the acquired knowledge of language varieties through the use of dictionaries, corpora, and standard texts with the aim of developing their communicative competence independently and contextually.

Expected Learning Outcomes:

By the end of the course, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate a sound understanding of linguistic and cultural variation related to the development and use of the English language;
2. Show familiarity with semantic, lexical, grammatical, phonetic, and stylistic differences between British and American English, as well as other English language varieties;
3. Gain a broader view of British, American, Australian, and other English-speaking societies and cultures as reflected in language differences;
4. Improve their overall proficiency in English across its varieties by analyzing texts and listening materials from British, American, and other sources based on their linguistic features.