



COURSE SYLLABUS SOCIOLINGUISTICS

Workload: 6 ECTS credits, 60 seminar hours

Academic Year/Semester: First year, first semester

Course Type: Compulsory course

Study Program: Bachelor in French Language and Albanian Sign Language

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

SUMMARY AND LEARNING OUTCOMES

Course Objectives:

To understand and address the key concepts of sociolinguistics, including linguistic variation, language norms, speech communities, and linguistic identity. To understand the relationship between language and society, and how language is closely connected to social factors such as social class, gender, ethnicity, and cultural context. To analyze linguistic variation within speech communities of the French language and Albanian Sign Language. To understand the mechanisms of social influence on language, specifically how social factors such as social class, gender, and others affect the structure and use of language in French-speaking and sign language communities.

Specific Objectives:

- To develop skills in analyzing and documenting linguistic variation within French and sign language communities using sociolinguistic methods.
- To study linguistic identity.
- To gain knowledge about French dialects and varieties.
- To become familiar with the culture of deaf people.

Learning Outcomes:

Upon completion of the Sociolinguistics module, students should be able to:

- Understand and use sociolinguistic terminology and methodology to analyze French-speaking and sign language communities.
- Analyze linguistic varieties and identify how social factors influence language and linguistic identity.
- Understand how language and linguistic identity influence communication and relationships between individuals and communities in the context of French and sign language use.