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| **General Information** | | | |
| **Course name** | **Corpus Linguistics** | **ECTS Credits** | **5** |
| **Semester** | **winter** |
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| **Aims** | | | |
| The aim is to introduce corpus linguistics as a research method for descriptive and applied linguistics. To this end, the corpus consists of two parts: i. theory, which reviews the history of corpus linguistics and the basic stages of corpus building and annotation; and ii. practice, which is a series of hands-on sessions where the main corpus tools are exercises by use of a selection of free-access corpora, dictionaries, and concordancers and concordancer-related tools. The course aims at enabling students to: iii. understand the principles of corpus-based research; iv. successfully the right corpus-related tools for their needs; and v. train in the basic stages of data collection, sampling and preparation. | | | |
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| **Evaluation** | | | |
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