

Subject card

Subject name and code	Sociolinguistics - lectures, PG_00137867						
Field of study	English Studies						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2025		Academic year of realisation of subject		2026/2027		
Education level	Master's studies		Subject group		Obligatory subject group in the field of study Optional subject group Subject group related to scientific research in the field of study		
Mode of study	full-time studies		Mode of delivery		at the university		
Year of study	2		Language of instruction		English		
Semester of study	3		ECTS credits		4.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		exam		
Conducting unit	Institute of English and American Studies -> Faculty of Languages -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		dr hab. Danuta Stanulewicz-Skrzypiec				
	Teachers						
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	30.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	30
	E-learning hours included: 0.0						
Learning activity and number of study hours	Learning activity	Participation in didactic classes included in study plan		Participation in consultation hours		Self-study	SUM
	Number of study hours	30		2.0		68.0	100
Subject objectives	The course enables students to learn the foundations and history of sociolinguistics, and to discuss selected issues and research tools used in this field.						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[FAMU2_K01] Is ready to critically evaluate the extent of their knowledge and skills, in particular in the field of English-language linguistics and literature and English.	[12041] [FAMU2_K01] The student is ready to critically assess the scope of his/her knowledge and skills in the field of sociolinguistics.	[SK4] test/exam - oral or written
	[FAMU2_W07] Knows and understands to an in-depth extent selected issues constituting advanced detailed knowledge in the field of linguistics, including, in particular, research into the English language.	[12065] [FAMU2_W07] The student knows and understands selected issues constituting advanced knowledge in the field of sociolinguistics.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[FAMU2_W05] Knows and understands advanced terminology in the field of linguistics, in particular those used in English language studies.	[12063] [FAMU2_W05] The student knows and understands advanced English terminology in the field of sociolinguistics.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[FAMU2_U06] Can communicate in speech and writing in English and Polish with diverse audiences on specialized topics in the field of linguistics and literature, also using advanced specialized terminology.	[12054] [FAMU2_U06] The student is able to communicate with diverse audiences on topics in the field of sociolinguistics, using advanced specialist terminology.	[SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[FAMU2_K02] Is prepared to recognise the importance of knowledge and skills in English Studies in solving cognitive and practical problems and to seek the advice of a supervisor in their chosen place of work in the event of difficulty in solving problems on their own.	[12042] [FAMU2_K02] The student is ready to recognize the importance of knowledge and skills in the field of sociolinguistics, solve theoretical and practical problems and seek the opinion of the academic supervisor if he/she is unable to solve problems on his/her own.	[SK4] test/exam - oral or written
Subject contents	Language and society. Language varieties: dialects and sociolects. Language and dialect. Pidgins and creoles. Lingua francas. Planned languages. Minority languages. Language and education. Language policy. Male and female speech.		
Prerequisites and co-requisites			
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	written examination	51.0%	100.0%

Recommended reading	Basic literature	Wardhaugh, R., Fuller, J. M., An Introduction to Sociolinguistics, Seventh Edition, Wiley-Blackwell, Oxford, 2015. Crystal, D., The Cambridge Encyclopedia of Language, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 1987 or later editions. Handke, K., Socjologia języka, Wydawnictwo Naukowe PWN, Warszawa, 2008 or later editions. Stanulewicz, D. Sociolinguistics: Handouts, unpublished materials (pdf).
	Supplementary literature	Chambers, J. K., Trudgill, P., Dialectology, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 1998 [1980]. Hughes, A., Trudgill, P., Watt, D., English Accents and Dialects, Hodder Arnold, London, 2005. Majewicz, A. F., Języki świata i ich klasyfikowanie, PWN, Warszawa, 1989. Tannen, D., You Just Dont Understand: Women and Men in Conversation, Morrow, New York, 1990 or later editions. Treder, J. (ed.), Język kaszubski: Poradnik encyklopedyczny, 2nd edition, Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu Gdańskiego, Gdańsk 2006 [2002].
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Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	Varieties of English. Minority languages in Poland. Esperanto and its creator. Tok Pisin as a pidgin-creole language.	
Work placement	Not applicable	

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