

Subject card

Subject name and code	Descriptive Grammar: Morphology, PG_00210527						
Field of study	English Studies						
Date of commencement of studies	October 2026		Academic year of realisation of subject		2026/2027		
Education level	Bachelor's studies		Subject group		Obligatory subject group in the field of study 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	1		Language of instruction		English		
Semester of study	2		ECTS credits		2.0		
Learning profile	academic		Assessment form		exam		
Conducting unit	Division of Corpus Linguistics and Glottodidactics -> Institute of English and American Studies -> Faculty of Languages -> Rector						
Name and surname of lecturer (lecturers)	Subject supervisor		mgr Aleksandra Chmarzyńska				
	Teachers						
Lesson types	Lesson type	Lecture	Tutorial	Laboratory	Project	Seminar	SUM
	Number of study hours	15.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	15
	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	15		1.0		34.0	50
Subject objectives	The aim of this course is to introduce students to morphological analysis. During the course, students will be introduced to basic concepts, such as: word, morpheme, allomorph, null morpheme, root, inflection, derivation, hierarchical structure of words and types of word-formation processes						

Learning outcomes	Course outcome	Subject outcome	Method of verification
	[FAL3_U03] Applies tools of linguistic and literary analysis, formulates and solve complex analytical and interpretative problems concerning the English language, linguistics and English-language literatures, using linguistic and literary methodological and theoretical approaches.	The student can use linguistic analysis tools to formulate and solve complex analytical and interpretative problems related to the morphology of the English language, drawing on linguistic methodological and theoretical approaches.	[SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[FAL3_U02] Properly uses the acquired subject knowledge to identify, analyze, interpret and explain facts, phenomena and processes in the field of English, linguistics and English-language literature, using concepts and methods in the field of linguistics and literature	The student can make appropriate use of acquired subject knowledge to identify, analyse, interpret and explain morphological processes, using concepts and methods derived from morphology.	[SU4] test/exam - oral or written
	[FAL3_W03] He / she knows and understands to an advanced degree the basic research methodologies and theories in the field of linguistics, in particular those applicable to the study of the English language.	The student knows and understands to an advanced degree the basic research methodologies and theories in morphology.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[FAL3_W07] Has advanced detailed knowledge of selected topics in the field of linguistics, including, in particular, research into the English language.	The student has advanced detailed knowledge of selected issues in morphology.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[FAL3_W05] He / she has advanced knowledge of the basic conceptual and terminological apparatus in the field of linguistics, including in particular those applicable in the study of the English language.	The student has an advanced knowledge of the basic conceptual and terminological apparatus of morphology.	[SW4] test/exam - oral or written
	[FAL3_K01] Is prepared to critically evaluate the extent of their knowledge and skills, in particular in the field of the English language, linguistics and English-language literature.	The student is prepared to critically evaluate the extent of their knowledge and skills in morphology.	[SK4] test/exam - oral or written
Subject contents	1. Word, morpheme 2. Allomorph, zero morpheme 3. Word stem, bound and free morphemes 4. Derivation and inflection 5. Word-formation processes		
Prerequisites and co-requisites	Completed the following subjects: Introduction to Linguistics and Descriptive Grammar: Phonetics and Phonology. English competency: B1/B2. ATTENDANCE AT CLASSES IS MANDATORY, UNLESS THE STUDENT HAS OBTAINED THE DEAN'S APPROVAL TO FOLLOW AN INDIVIDUAL STUDY PLAN.		
Assessment methods and criteria	Subject passing criteria	Passing threshold	Percentage of the final grade
	Exam	51.0%	100.0%

Recommended reading	Basic literature	• Haspelmath, Martin, & Andrea Sims (2010). Understanding Morphology. London: Routledge. • Lieber, Rochelle (2022). Introducing Morphology. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. • Plag, Ingo (2018). Word-Formation in English. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. • Spencer, Andrew (1991). Morphological Theory: An Introduction to Word Structure in Generative Grammar. Oxford - Cambridge: Blackwell. • Szymanek, Bogdan (2008). Introduction to Morphological Analysis. Warszawa: Wydawnictwo Naukowe PWN.
	Supplementary literature	• Aronoff, Mark, & Kirsten Fudeman (2023). What is Morphology? Hoboken: Wiley Blackwell. • Selkirk, Elizabeth (1982). The Syntax of Words. Cambridge - London: The MIT Press.
	eResources addresses	
Example issues/ example questions/ tasks being completed	1. Find and classify the morphemes in the following words into free or bound. 2. Identify the following suffixes whether they are derivational suffixes or inflectional ones.	
Work placement	Not applicable	

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