**Instrumental Aspects of Languages  2016/2017**

Code: 102015  
ECTS Credits: 6

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**Use of languages**

Principal working language: catalan (cat)

Some groups entirely in English: No  
Some groups entirely in Catalan: No  
Some groups entirely in Spanish: No

**Teachers**

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**Prerequisites**

In order to make the proposed activities, it is necessary good Catalan and Spanish skills in writing and speaking. The students will be evaluated about their knowledge in Catalan and Spanish languages. They must use one or another language taking depending on the oral and write activities proposed by the teacher.

**Objectives and Contextualisation**

The subject, with professors from Catalan and Hispanic Departments, is oriented to consolidate and take a close look at the linguistic knowledge. The program is complemented with language contents of other subjects that the student did in the first course and with the subject "Didactics of language and literature" that the students will do after this one.

Formative Objectives:

1. Recognize, analyze and know how to produce oral and written discourse belonging to the professional teachers in Early Childhood Education.
2. Reinforce language skills involved in language use and increase the ability to reflect linguistic studies.
3. Know and analyze multilingual educational contexts.
4. Analyze the story as a literary genre and as a basis for the expressive possibilities of language.

Provide resources for self-study language.

**Skills**

- Acquire literary education and especially get to know children's literature.
- Being able to encourage an initial approach to a foreign language.
- Deal effectively with language learning situations in multicultural and multilingual contexts.
- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the aims, curricular contents and criteria of evaluation of Infant Education
- Demonstrate knowledge of the evolution of nonverbal communication and language in early childhood, and be able to identify possible dysfunctions and ensure proper development.
• Demonstrate knowledge of the evolution of the educational implications of the information and communications technology and in particular of television in early childhood.
• Demonstrating knowledge of the evolution of non-verbal communication and language in early childhood, knowing how to identify possible dysfunctions and ensuring their proper development.
• Develop critical thinking and reasoning and know how to communicate effectively both in your own tongues and in other languages.
• Express other languages and use them for educational purposes: corporal, musical, audiovisual.
• Know and master oral and written expression techniques.
• Know and properly use resources to encourage reading and writing and develop strategies for use of the school library.
• Know the language, reading and writing curriculum at this stage as well as theories on the acquisition and development of relevant learning.
• Maintain a respectful attitude for the environment (natural, social and cultural) to promote values, behaviours and practices that address gender equality, equity and respect for human rights.
• Manage information related to the professional environment for decision-making and reporting.
• Promote speaking and writing skills.
• Properly express oneself orally and in writing and master the use of different expression techniques.
• Recognize and evaluate the social reality and the interrelation between factors involved as necessary anticipation of action.
• Understand oral tradition and folklore.
• Understand the learning process of reading and writing and how to teach it. Address language learning situations in multilingual contexts. Recognize and value the appropriate use of verbal and non-verbal language.
• Understand the shift from orality to writing and understand the different registers and uses of language.

**Learning outcomes**

1. Acquire a thorough knowledge of the social and cognitive dimensions of written language and the various dynamics of orality.
2. Acquire knowledge of the oral language curriculum at this stage as well as theories on the acquisition and development of learning related to it.
3. Acquire knowledge of the written language curriculum at this stage as well as theories on the acquisition and development of learning related to it.
4. Acquire literary education and especially to be familiar with children's literature.
5. Adapt the use of language to social contexts and communicative situations in the professional field.
6. Analyse situations for learning written language. Analyse and defend the proper use or not of written, oral verbal and nonverbal language.
7. Apply the knowledge gained to the selection, reading and interpretation of literary texts.
8. Assessing the value of correction, adaptation and acceptability in oral and written productions.
9. Being able to establish links between environmental knowledge and actions and sustainable consumption.
10. Critically selecting the information, the consulting tools and the resources provided by virtual platforms.
11. Demonstrate knowledge of the evolution of the educational implications of the information and communications technology and in particular of television in early childhood.
12. Describe the evolution of language in early childhood, know how to identify possible dysfunctions and know how to defend teaching guidelines for proper development.
13. Develop a critical attitude towards uniformist versions of language and acquire basic criteria for addressing language learning in multicultural and multilingual contexts.
14. Express oneself and know how to use different languages ??for educational purposes: corporal, musical, audiovisual.
15. Having the knowledge and knowing how to use the methodological strategies that aid and stimulate the development of children's capacities for acquiring written language.
16. Integrate a respectful attitude to the environment (natural, social and cultural) to promote values, behaviours and practices that address gender equality, equity and respect for human rights.
17. Know about books for young readers and have adequate criteria for school selection on the basis of formal and literary characteristics.
18. Know about resources to encourage reading and writing and appreciate their contribution to literary education.
Know and appreciate appropriate educational software and web sites for the teaching and learning of infant literature.

Know and appreciate the characteristics of audiovisual and digital literary products for early readers.

Know and use information and communications technology (ICT) and technologies for learning and knowledge relating to the use of oral language at school.

Know and use the main resources and tools of inquiry for one's language.

Know Catalan literature of oral tradition (stories, rhymes, poems ...), ways of transmitting it to children and the methodology for their active participation.

Knowing how to analyse and manage information relating to the professional sphere in order to make decisions.

Knowing how to analyse aspects of the evolution of non-verbal communication and language in early childhood, identifying possible dysfunctions and suggesting proposals for its proper development.

Knowing how to analyse didactic sequences in which Catalan language learning situations are considered in multicultural and multilingual contexts.

Knowing how to analyse didactic sequences related to learning a foreign language in infant education.

Knowing how to analyse different learning situations for the Catalan language in multilingual contexts.

Recognising, simulating and modelling oral verbal and non-verbal language uses.

Knowing how to use language strategies that aid and stimulate the development of children's speaking capacities.

Knowing how to use oral verbal and non-verbal techniques that aid communication and linguistic interaction with children.

Knowing how to use the different registers and uses of oral Catalan language.

Knowing how to use the oral tradition and also folklore in the process of acquiring written language.

Learning how to use children's literature in relation to oral language learning, first learning of written language and literary education with didactic devices appropriate to their objectives.

Making correct use of communication strategies appropriate to children of different ages (movement, gestures, intonation, volume, etc.).

Master the formal and colloquial registers for professional use in oral and written Catalan and Spanish.

Master the use of different expression techniques and express oneself adequately both orally and in writing in situations in the professional field.

Orally and in writing explain the objectives, curriculum content and evaluation criteria of spoken language in infant education.

Properly express oneself orally and in writing in Catalan and Spanish using different oral verbal and nonverbal expression techniques.

Recognising and evaluating the social reality and the interrelationship of the factors involved, as a necessary prelude to action.

Recognising and, knowing how to analyse and produce the discursive genres pertaining to the academic and professional sphere with enough theoretical and argumentative foundation.

Recognising the literary techniques pertaining to narration and poetry.

Understand oral tradition and folklore and evaluate them with literary and educational criteria.

Understand the different registers and uses of written language and recognize, in children's written productions, the shift from orality to writing.

Understand the languages present in the school as a set of linguistic varieties that are all equally respectable.

Understand the linguistic effects of contact with language in learning situations.

Using verbal interaction in the classroom to promote an exchange of ideas about literary texts that teach children to talk about books and to interpret them.

Using virtual platforms as a work tool that allows effective communication in Catalan and Spanish and the development of critical thinking.

Content

1. Oral Language: the speech of Early Childhood Education teachers (Catalan) Philology

   1. The speech of Early Childhood Education teachers in the classroom.

      1.1. From colloquial registers to simplified registers.
1.1.2. Discourse strategies of Early Childhood Education teachers.

1.2. The colloquial register and the standard oral.

2. The multilingual educational contexts and linguistic attitudes. (Spanish Philology)
   2.1. The linguistic variation: varieties according to time, space, social class and situation.
   2.2. Languages in contact: Catalan-Spanish linguistic interference.
   2.3. Differences in the use of language in speaking and writing expression.

3. The oral transmission literature and other recreational manifestations. (Spanish Philology)
   3.2. Poems and folk songs.

4. Written Language. (Catalan Philology)
   4.1. Genres and textual typology.
   4.2. The texts of education.
   4.2.1. The structure of the text.
   4.2.2. Coherence and cohesion.
   4.2.3. The sentence structure. The topicalization. The parenthetical remarks.
   4.2.4. Punctuation: functions and conventions.
   4.3. The narrative text: linguistic and narrative analysis of stories for children.

5. Resources and query tools (Spanish Philology)

Methodology

The protagonist in the learning process is the student. Then, the methodology of the subject is planned under this premise as shown in the table below:

Seminars are workspaces for small groups (half the group) managed by teachers. The program contents are crafted through teacher expositions, texts analysis and productions, student expositions and lectures and other individual and teamwork activities (oral and writing).

Activities

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Evaluation

The evaluation of the subject will be held throughout the academic year according to the activities shown in the grid below. The final grade will be obtained from the sum of scores relating to each percentage for language (67% Catalan Philology; 33% Spanish Philology).

In order to pass the course is essential the mastery of oral and written Catalan and Spanish. In Catalan, the student must to proof in practice a language skill equivalent to Level 1 of Catalan Language for Teachers and Primary Education (you can find more information on this level and linguistic competence in general http://www.uab.cat/web/els-estudis/-competencia-linguistica-1345698914384.html). Moreover, they must to pass different exams about regulations, lexical and phonetic correction and it should be passed each exam papers. Furthermore, they must also have a grade of 5 points or more in each language. Otherwise, it will be suspended.

Both, in Catalan and Spanish, every misspelling and typography, vocabulary or syntax errors will be penalized with 0.2 points on the final grade of each assessment activities. In Catalan, if the student exceeds 15 errors or if the final score remained below 5 because his/her errors they will resubmit controls regulations although they had previously passed. In Spanish, if the student accumulates more than 15 errors in any test or if the result of the examination is lower than 5 due to discount for orthographical and typographical mistakes, you must make a complementary activity related linguistic correctness.

Class attendance is mandatory: students must attend all classes to be evaluated (it provides 20% of incidents). Otherwise it will be considered absent. It is also considered absent the student who has not delivered all evaluation activities within the established deadlines.

It is expected a recovery of evaluation activities for those students who have attended classes but have not passed the course

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