COURSE TITLE: Història de la Llengua Anglesa II: Anglès Modern

**SEMESTER:** B

**CREDITS:** 5

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## **METHOD OF ASSESSMENT:**

Final Examination and any hand-in exercises or commentaries which may be selectively required.

## **BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF CONTENT:**

This second part of the history of English programme will continue with a linguistic description of the main changes in the language, but focussing principally on those affecting southern English and the emerging standard variety. Attention will also be paid to the social processes and attitudes involved in the emergence of a standard, how it is consolidated and implemented, and the effects on other varieties. Contact with other languages and their influence on English is included; and a brief look at the spread of English within the British Isles and overseas will be given.

Students will be expected to do exercises on their own and to prepare text commentaries for discussion.

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