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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT

This is an introductory course to Systemic Functional Grammar (Halliday), with a heavy practical component. The basic tenets of SFG will be introduced, and then we will deal in turn with each of the metafunctions (experiential, interpersonal and textual). The theoretical explanations will be accompanied by an important number of exercises.

OBJECTIVES

Students should be able to (i) distinguish the 3 metafunctions (experiential, interpersonal and textual); (ii) analyse clauses within the systems of Mood, Transitivity and Theme; and (iii) comment on texts from the three different perspectives (experiential, interpersonal and textual).

TUTORIALS

The “tutoria integrada” will be done virtually, using the *Campus Virtual*. Tutorials will be devoted to practical exercises and to discussions of readings.

SYLLABUS

1. Introduction: functional approaches to the study of language; brief history of functional grammar.
2. Metafunctions: interpersonal, experiential and textual.
3. Constituency and rank. Labels.
4. The system of Mood.
5. The system of Transitivity.
6. The system of Theme.

ASSESSMENT

The course will be evaluated as follows:

- Midterm exam (35%).
- Final exam (35%).

In both exams, the students will be asked to provide answers to different theoretical questions and solve practical exercises.

- Homework and in-class assignments (15%).

There will be weekly assignments, some of which will be handed in and others corrected in class. Besides there will be work done in class which will be assessed.

- Work done in the “tutoria integrada” (15%).

Note: the level of English will be taken into account when correcting exams and in the final assessment.

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Martin, J. R. (1992) *English Text: System and Structure*. Amsterdam: Benjamins.

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More detailed bibliography will be provided during the course.