SLAA - SECOND LANGUAGE ACQUISITION AND APPLICATION

SLAA410 Second Language Acquisition: Theory, Research, and Practice (3 Credits)
Introduction to current theories and research findings Second Language Acquisition (SLA).

SLAA498 Second Language Research and Practicum (1-3 Credits)
Individuated research and practicum for undergraduate students who work as Undergraduate Research Assistants (UGRA) on existing projects under the supervision of a PhD Graduate Supervisor (GS) in the area of second language acquisition to learn/experience how second language as well as psycholinguistic research is conducted.

SLAA610 Research and Theories in Second Language Acquisition (3 Credits)
This course introduces fundamental concepts and research findings in the field of Second Language Acquisition (SLA).

SLAA611 Fundamentals of Foreign Language Acquisition and Instruction (3 Credits)
Introduction to theoretical and practical issues relevant to foreign language learning, language acquisition, and curriculum construction.

SLAA620 Second Language Research Methodologies (3 Credits)
An exploration of research methodology in second language acquisition (SLA), with a focus on developing practical skills in data analysis and interpretation. Preparation in both critical evaluation of existing research and design of new research models.

SLAA629 Special Topics in Sociolinguistics (3 Credits)
Current topics in research in sociolinguistics.

SLAA630 Second Language Testing (3 Credits)
An introduction to basic concepts in the assessment of second language knowledge. Issues of reliability, dependability, construct validity, utility, and washback on instruction are examined.

SLAA639 Special Topics in Applied Linguistics (3 Credits)
Current topics in research in applied linguistics.

SLAA640 Psycholinguistics (3 Credits)
An introduction to the field of psycholinguistics that covers speech perception, word recognition, sentence and discourse processing, speech production, and language acquisition. Basic concepts, research methods, major research topics, leading theories and related research findings, with implications of psycholinguistic theories and findings for second language studies.

SLAA649 Special Topics in Second Language Acquisition (3 Credits)
Current topics in research in second language acquisition.

SLAA650 Second Language Analysis (3 Credits)
Current topics in research in applied linguistics.

SLAA660 Second Language Processing (3 Credits)
Current topics in second language learning research including interlanguage development, negative feedback, maturational constraints, units of acquisition, stabilization/fossilization, aptitude and aptitude training.

SLAA6719 Second Language Acquisition and Application Internship (3 Credits)
Internship at a site to be determined. Topics may include heritage language learning, immersion education, testing and assessment, translation and interpretation, and national language planning and policy.

SLAA742 Second Language Processing (3 Credits)
Covers leading theoretical approaches and experimental methods in second language processing. Draws on research and theories in Second Language Acquisition (SLA), formal linguistics, cognitive grammar, psycholinguistics, and neurolinguistics.

SLAA744 Age Effects in Second Language Learning (3 Credits)
Consideration of the empirical evidence for age effects in second language learning and its potential confounds. Critical evaluation of the differing interpretations of these effects and their implications for educational practice, SLA theory, development psychology, and research methodology.

SLAA749M or SLAA744.

Formerly: SLAA649M.

SLAA749L or SLAA740.

SLAA741 Cognitive Processes in Second Language Learning (3 Credits)
Examines the roles played by varied types of learning processes and memory, general processing issues, and the cognitive bases of individual differences in learning and processing a second language.

SLAA742 Second Language Processing (3 Credits)
Covers leading theoretical approaches and experimental methods in second language processing. Draws on research and theories in Second Language Acquisition (SLA), formal linguistics, cognitive grammar, psycholinguistics, and neurolinguistics.

SLAA744 Age Effects in Second Language Learning (3 Credits)
Consideration of the empirical evidence for age effects in second language learning and its potential confounds. Critical evaluation of the differing interpretations of these effects and their implications for educational practice, SLA theory, development psychology, and research methodology.

SLAA749M or SLAA744.

Formerly: SLAA649M.
SLAA749 Special Topics in Second Language Learning (3 Credits)
Current topics in research on Second Language Learning.
Prerequisite: SLAA610; or permission of instructor.

SLAA750 Instructed Second Language Acquisition (3 Credits)
Survey of studies on effectiveness of SLA instruction within various domains of language, with focus on research design.
Prerequisite: SLAA610.

SLAA754 Task-Based Language Teaching (3 Credits)
Overview of Task-Based Language Teaching (TBLT) including needs analysis, syllabus design, materials writing, methodology, and pedagogy, testing, and evaluation. Theoretical issues addressed include relationship of TBLT to research findings on the psychology of learning and SLA and libertarian approaches to education.
Credit Only Granted for: SLAA649T or SLAA754.
Formerly: SLAA649T.

SLAA759 Special Topics in Second Language Instruction (3 Credits)
Topics in the theory and practice of second language instruction.
Prerequisite: Permission of ARHU-College of Arts & Humanities.
Repeatable to: 12 credits.

SLAA760 Fundamentals of Second Language Assessment (3 Credits)
An overview of current assessment models in foreign and second language learning.
Prerequisite: SLAA610.

SLAA772 Bilingualism and Multilingualism (3 Credits)
Critical exploration of concepts in bilingualism and multilingualism with emphasis on the social environments of second language acquisition, through the lens of cognitive and social frameworks. Implications of bilingualism for memory, affect, language processing and code-switching/mixing, as well as the social implications of knowing and using more than one language.
Prerequisite: SLAA610; or permission of instructor.

SLAA773 The Heritage Language Speaker (3 Credits)
Critical exploration of the theoretical issues and existing experimental research on heritage language learning and use as well as consideration of classroom and curricular implications of heritage language learning.
Restriction: Permission of instructor required for Master students.

SLAA779 Directed Research in Second Language Acquisition and Application (1-3 Credits)
Directed independent research in Second Language Acquisition or Application. In this capstone project, students engage in independent research under faculty direction.
Repeatable to: 3 credits if content differs.

SLAA798 Master’s Independent Study (1-3 Credits)

SLAA799 Master’s Thesis Research (1-6 Credits)

SLAA888 Doctoral Independent Study (1-3 Credits)
Individual instruction course.
Prerequisite: Permission of ARHU-College of Arts & Humanities.
Repeatable to: 9 credits if content differs.

SLAA898 Pre-Candidacy Research (1-8 Credits)

SLAA899 Doctoral Dissertation Research (1-8 Credits)