Syllabus

INTRO. TO SEMITIC LING. -A : PHONOLOGY & MORPHOL. - 41202

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HU Credits: 2

Degree/Cycle: 1st degree (Bachelor)

Responsible Department: linguistics

Academic year: 0

Semester: 1st Semester

Teaching Languages: Hebrew

Campus: Mt. Scopus

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Teaching Staff:
Prof Eran Cohen
Course/Module description:
The basics of the linguistic comparison of the Semitic languages

Course/Module aims:
Getting to know the different elements to be compared, at different levels, regarding the Semitic languages. These comparable elements constitute the proof for the existence of the group.

Learning outcomes - On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:
At the end of the course the student is expected to know the basic principles specific to the Semitic languages family.

Attendance requirements(%):
100%

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: lecture and exercise

Course/Module Content:
The Semitic language family: background

Phonology of Semitic

Morphology of Semitic: root and template, pronouns, nominal categories, verbal forms, negation, adpositions—conjunctions—adverbia

Language classification

Required Reading:
Bennett, P. R. Comparative Semitic Linguistics, 1998
Bergstrømsser, G. Introduction to the Semitic Languages. Translated by P. T. Daniels, Indiana 1983
Brockelmann, C. Grundriš der vergleichenden Grammatik der semitischen Sprachen, 2 vols., Berlin 1908-1913
Diakonoff, I. M. Semito-Hamitic Languages, an essay in classification, Moscow 1965
Faber, A. Semitic Sibilants in an Afro-Asiatic Context. JSS 29 (1984) 189-224
*LipiDski, E. Semitic Languages, Leuven 1997
Moscati, S. (ed.) An Introduction to the Comparative Grammar of the Semitic Languages, 1969

Additional Reading Material:

Course/Module evaluation:
End of year written/oral examination 60 %
Presentation 0 %
Participation in Tutorials 20 %
Project work 0 %
Assignments 20 %
Reports 0 %
Research project 0 %
Quizzes 0 %
Other 0 %

Additional information: