

566047	ESTUDIS AVANÇATS EN MULTILINGÜISME Advanced Studies in Multilingualism [2,5 ECTS – OPT.]	Imma Miralpeix
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Course Description

This course aims at fostering an awareness of the multiplicity and complexity of the communicative repertoires in multilingual settings. It also complements the contents of the compulsory subject 'Bilingualism and Multilingualism' offered in the first semester. The course starts with an introduction to common terminology in the field and to the concept of multilingual literacies and its implications. It then proceeds to analyse multilingualism in relation to aspects such as: demography, society and identity, language acquisition, education policies and language use in the workplace.

Syllabus

Introduction: Multilingualism, multilingual literacies and the continua of biliteracy
Becoming, staying and acting multilingual

Languages in the world
Rise and acknowledgment of multilingualism
Demographic perspectives
The Multilingual Cities Project

Multilingualism and language acquisition
Current models of multilingual acquisition
Multilingualism across the lifespan

Multilingual speech communities
Societal multilingualism
Language and identity
Transnational multilingualism
Linguistic Landscapes as an approach to multilingualism

Multilingualism in education
Language at school: programs and experiences
Learners' attitudes
European projects in multilingual learning and teaching

Multilingualism in the workplace

Methodology

Classes will focus on the readings suggested and different tasks will be proposed in relation to these readings. Group debates will also be promoted.

Assessment

Students will be asked to prepare a presentation in groups and to hand in a critical review of two articles. Class attendance and participation will also be taken into consideration.

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