

BTAN1007MA

**Advanced Research Methods in
Linguistics**

2021 Autumn semester

MA in English Studies
Linguistics Track
Seminar
Thursday 16:00-19:40
Lecture room II
Kardos Éva & Rákosi György



Office hours

The office hours are posted on the web pages of the instructors:

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Overview

The course is aimed at familiarizing students with the main principles of research design and data analysis used in different areas of linguistics. We cover techniques in the preparation, implementation and documentation of academic work, as well as its dissemination.

We will survey various methods of gathering, quoting and reporting linguistic data. We will also comment on how we can successfully integrate data sources of different types, including interviews, questionnaires, corpus compilation and data from language acquisition research. We also address questions regarding publishing in linguistics. More specifically, we will briefly discuss different stages of writing an article and we will also talk about various venues for publishing scientific results. Finally, we discuss and practice the art of academic presentations and abstract writing.

Grading

Grading is based upon:

- two home assignments
- two presentations, prepared at home and presented in class (details to be discussed in class)
- an abstract written at home and discussed in class (details to be discussed in class)

grading component	weight	schedule
<i>assignment 1</i>	0.2	submission: by 30 September
<i>assignment 2</i>	0.2	submission: by 28 October
<i>presentation 1</i>	0.2	18 November
<i>presentation 2</i>	0.2	25 November
<i>abstract</i>	0.2	submission: by 30 November discussion: 2 December

Schedule

WEEK	DATE	TOPIC	READINGS**
1	09.09	Introduction, Orientation (Éva Kardos – György Rákosi)	handouts only
2	16.09	Linguistic data: What they are and how we approach them (György Rákosi)	handouts only
3	23.09	Quoting, representing and analyzing linguistic data (György Rákosi) Assignment 1	Leipzig Glossing Rules (Click to access)
4	30.09	Linguistic diagnostics (Éva Kardos)	
5	07.10	Collecting and integrating different data types in linguistic research (György Rákosi)	handouts only
6	14.10	Publishing in linguistics 1: Writing articles in linguistics (Éva Kardos)	Murray (2012)
7	21.10	Publishing in linguistics 2: Linguistics journals and databases, predator journals, the open-access revolution (Éva Kardos) Assignment 2	handouts only
8	28.10	Debates in linguistics (Rákosi György)	handouts only
9	04.11	Consultation week – no class meetings	
10	11.11	Writing conference abstracts and presentations (Éva Kardos)	
11	18.11	Student presentations 1: article overview	
12	25.11	Student presentations 2: project work	
13	02.12	Abstracts	
14	09.12	Evaluation, summary discussion	

**Sources

Murray, N. 2012. *Writing Essays in English Language and Linguistics*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
(pp. 72-115)

Set readings will be made available electronically.