



Course Specifications

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| Course Title: | Dictionary Skills |
| Course Code: | TRAN 131 |
| Program: | English |
| Department: | Translation |
| College: | Languages |
| Institution: | Princess Nourah bint Abdulrahman University |

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A. Course Identification

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|---|--|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Credit hours: 4 hours | | | |
| 2. Course type | | | |
| a. | University <input type="checkbox"/> | College <input type="checkbox"/> | Department <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | Others <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | |
| b. | Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Elective <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| 3. Level/year at which this course is offered: Level 1 1 st Year / English Language Program | | | |
| 4. Pre-requisites for this course (if any): None | | | |
| 5. Co-requisites for this course (if any): None | | | |

6. Mode of Instruction (mark all that apply)

| No | Mode of Instruction | Contact Hours | Percentage |
|----|-----------------------|---------------|------------|
| 1 | Traditional classroom | 40 | 100% |
| 2 | Blended | NA | NA |
| 3 | E-learning | NA | NA |
| 4 | Distance learning | NA | NA |
| 5 | Other | NA | NA |

7. Contact Hours (based on academic semester)

| No | Activity | Contact Hours |
|----|-------------------|---------------|
| 1 | Lecture | 40 |
| 2 | Laboratory/Studio | NA |
| 3 | Tutorial | NA |
| 4 | Others (specify) | NA |
| | Total | 40 |

B. Course Objectives and Learning Outcomes

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| 1. Course Description Students are acquainted with different types of specialized and general dictionaries and the characteristics of each. They are trained on how to skillfully use them. |
| 2. Course Main Objective After this course students will be ready for future translation courses. -They are expected to be able to use different types of dictionaries intelligently, effectively, and professionally. -They are expected to acquire the necessary methodological skills presented in this course -Students are encouraged to refer to electronic material related to the topics discussed in class. Such as grammar lesson videos and web pages. -Students' feedback concerning the content of the course is taken into consideration. |

3. Course Learning Outcomes

| CLOs | | Aligned PLOs |
|------|---|--------------|
| 1 | Knowledge and Understanding | |
| 1.1 | Define different types of information dictionaries (grammatical, morphological, phonological, semantic, etc.) | K1 |
| 1.2 | Identify the different strategies of classifying words in Arabic and English dictionaries. | K2 |
| 1.3 | Differentiate between the dictionary types and their different functions. | K1 |
| 2 | Skills : | |
| 2.1 | Analyze words according to their part of speech and function. | S1 |
| 2.2 | Translate words/sentences in different contexts using the right dictionary. | S1 |
| 2.3 | Extract the required information from the different types of dictionaries. | S3 |
| 3 | Values: | |
| 3.1 | Demonstrate their work as part of a team. | V3 |
| 3.2 | Demonstrate their skills in searching and creating mind maps. | V1 |

C. Course Content

| No | List of Topics | Contact Hours |
|-------|---|---------------|
| 1 | Types and components of dictionaries + types of information dictionaries. | 4 |
| 2 | Monolingual dictionaries (English) | 4 |
| 3 | Monolingual dictionaries (English) | 4 |
| 4 | Monolingual dictionaries (Arabic) | 4 |
| 5 | Monolingual dictionaries (Arabic) +Bilingual dictionaries (English – Arabic, Arabic – English). | 4 |
| 6 | Bilingual dictionaries (English – Arabic, Arabic – English)+ Quiz. | 4 |
| 7 | Specialized dictionaries (synonyms, collocations, idioms, phrasal verbs, terminology, etc). | 4 |
| 8 | Specialized dictionaries (synonyms, collocations, idioms, phrasal verbs, terminology, etc) + Midterm. | 4 |
| 9 | Specialized dictionaries (slangs, activators, usages, etc). | 4 |
| 10 | Specialized dictionaries (slangs, activators, usages, etc) + Online and electronic dictionaries. | 4 |
| Total | | 40 |

D. Teaching and Assessment

1. Alignment of Course Learning Outcomes with Teaching Strategies and Assessment Methods

| Code | Course Learning Outcomes | Teaching Strategies | Assessment Methods |
|------|---|--------------------------|---|
| 1.0 | Knowledge and Understanding | | |
| 1.1 | Define different types of information dictionaries (grammatical, morphological, phonological, semantic, etc.) | Lecture Presentations | Quiz Direct questions in class Assignments Midterm |

| Code | Course Learning Outcomes | Teaching Strategies | Assessment Methods |
|------------|--|---|--|
| 1.2 | Identify the different strategies of classifying words in Arabic and English dictionaries. | Lecture | Final Assignments Midterm Final |
| 1.3 | Differentiate between the dictionary types and their different functions. | Lecture | Assignments Midterm Final |
| 2.0 | Skills | | |
| 2.1 | Analyze words according to their part of speech and function. | Discussions by raising questions that stimulate the students' critical thinking about words and their structures. | Quiz Direct questions in class Assignments Midterm exam Final exam |
| 2.2 | Translate words/sentences in different contexts using the right dictionary. | Discussions by raising questions that stimulate the students' critical thinking about words and their structures. | Quiz Direct questions in class Assignments Midterm exam Final exam |
| 2.3 | Extract the required information from the different types of dictionaries. | Discussions by raising questions that stimulate the students' critical thinking about words and their structures. | Quiz Direct questions in class Assignments Midterm exam Final exam |
| 3.0 | Values | | |
| 3.1 | Demonstrate their work as part of a team. | Pair and group work. Presentations. Discussions. | Direct questions in class Assignments |
| 3.2 | Demonstrate their skills in searching and creating mind maps. | Using mind maps | Project |

2. Assessment Tasks for Students

| # | Assessment task* | Week Due | Percentage of Total Assessment Score |
|---|-------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1 | Quiz | 6 th | 10% |
| 2 | Midterm | 8 th | 30% |
| 3 | Project | 9 th | 10% |
| 4 | Participation and Assignments | Weekly | 10% |
| 5 | Final Exam | | 40% |

*Assessment task (i.e., written test, oral test, oral presentation, group project, essay, etc.)

E. Student Academic Counseling and Support

Arrangements for availability of faculty and teaching staff for individual student consultations and academic advice:
Office hours: 4-6 hours weekly.

In addition to daily personal communication via electronic means: web page, Blackboard, Telegram and email.

F. Learning Resources and Facilities

1. Learning Resources

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| Required Textbooks | <p>Course material compiled by the instructor and posted on the course webpage.</p> <p><i>Longman Dictionary of Contemporary English</i>, 6th Edition, 2009.</p> <p>The process of how we develop and review the terminology databases: http://www.languagescientific.com/translation-services/translation-medical-technical/translation-localization-tools/terminology-database-glossary.html</p> |
| Essential References Materials | <p>Enani, M.M. <i>Dictionaries for the Translator</i>. Cairo: The Anglo-Egyptian Bookshop, 2000.</p> <p>Different types of dictionaries:</p> <p><i>Longman Dictionary of Contemporary English</i> <i>Webster's Third New International Dictionary, Unabridged</i> <i>Collins English Dictionary</i> <i>American Heritage College Dictionary</i> المورد (عربي – إنجليزي) المورد (إنجليزي - عربي) لسان العرب مجمع الوسيط اللغة العربية القاموس المحيط <i>Roget's Thesaurus</i> <i>Webster's dictionary and thesaurus</i> <i>Cambridge dictionary of American idioms</i> <i>Oxford dictionary of slang</i></p> |
| Electronic Materials | <p>http://elc.polyu.edu.hk/advdicts/default.htm?</p> <p>http://elc.polyu.edu.hk/advdicts/quiz.htm#10a</p> <p>http://www.langcent.manchester.ac.uk/resources/online/support-advice/learning-guide/sheets/dictionary-skills/</p> <p>http://www.articlesbase.com/tutoring-articles/how-to-use-a-dictionary-1510289.html</p> <p>http://www.usingenglish.com/reference/idioms/</p> <p>http://esl.fis.edu/learners/advice/dic.htm</p> <p>http://www.teachingenglish.org.uk/think/articles/using-dictionaries</p> <p>http://www.wikihow.com/Use-a-Dictionary</p> <p>http://www.wikihow.com/Use-a-Thesaurus</p> <p>http://keine-boecke.blogspot.com/2007/10/how-to-make-dictionary-lecture-3.html</p> <p>http://www.ciil-ebooks.net/html/lexico/link5.htm</p> |

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| Other Learning Materials | Oxford Dictionary (CD), American Heritage Dictionary (CD), any portable dictionary devices like Atlas or Franklin. Wordfast professional MemoQ Memsources |

2. Facilities Required

| Item | Resources |
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| Accommodation (Classrooms, laboratories, demonstration rooms/labs, etc.) | Classrooms Virtual Classrooms |
| Technology Resources (AV, data show, Smart Board, software, etc.) | Smart board, computers, Blackboard, Microsoft Teams and internet connection |
| Other Resources (Specify, e.g. if specific laboratory equipment is required, list requirements or attach a list) | NA |

G. Course Quality Evaluation

| Evaluation Areas/Issues | Evaluators | Evaluation Methods |
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| Effectiveness of teaching and assessment | Students | End of course surveys |
| Evaluation of Teaching by the Instructor or by the Department | Students/ Course Coordinator/ Head of the Department | end-of-year surveys to be assessed by independent body. |
| Processes for Improvement of Teaching | Colleagues | Peer teaching observation/recommendation |

Evaluation areas (e.g., Effectiveness of teaching and assessment, Extent of achievement of course learning outcomes, Quality of learning resources, etc.)

Evaluators (Students, Faculty, Program Leaders, Peer Reviewer, Others (specify))

Assessment Methods (Direct, Indirect)

H. Specification Approval Data

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| Council / Committee | English Language Program Committee Translation Department Council (17) College Quality Assurance Committee College Council (12) |
| Reference No. | Translation Department Council (17) College Council (12) |
| Date | English Language Program Committee, 24/6/1441-19/2/2020 Translation Department Council (17), 30/6/1441-24/2/2020 College Quality Assurance Committee 7/2/1441-26/2/2020 College Council (12), 8/7/1441-3/3/2020 |