



Lecture Description

Title: An Introduction to Principles of Language Learning

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Description:

The lecturer will provide the participants with an introduction to language learning as derived from linguistic theory.

Learning Outcomes:

By the end of this lecture, participants will be able to:

1. Different linguistic approaches to language.
2. Different linguistic views of foreign-language teaching and learning.
3. The system of competences in terms of which the efficiency of teaching and learning is judged.
4. The substance of the functional approach to language and language teaching.
5. The specific features of the „language situation“ of the deaf.

Plan:

1. Deaf and hard-of-hearing learners.
2. Theoretical and applied linguistics after the turn of linguistics to communication and pragmatics.
3. Linguistic view of language (foreign language vs. mother tongue; first vs. second foreign language).
4. Foreign language teaching: methods; addressee.

5. Learning processes: error, interlanguage, motivation and attitudes to language, input and output.
6. Competences.
7. The frame of teaching and learning: form vs. function.
8. Goals of foreign language teaching and learning.

Presentation Materials:

[*An Introduction to Principles of Language Learning*](#), PowerPoint (PDF)

[Handouts](#) from PowerPoint (PDF)

Resources: