

COMPLEX EXAMINATION IN ENGLISH LINGUISTICS (TNA 2999)

The examination will consist of two parts: a written examination and an oral examination.

THE WRITTEN EXAMINATION will cover phonetics and phonology, the material of TNA 2113. It will consist of a multiple choice test, some open-ended questions and material for transcription.

References

Csides, Csaba: English Phonetics and Phonology – Theory and Practice – manuscript.
Nádasdy, Ádám (2006) Background to English Pronunciation. Budapest: Nemzeti Tankönyvkiadó)

THE ORAL EXAMINATION will consist of material covered in the Introduction to English Linguistics course (TNA 1111) and in the course on Descriptive Grammar (TNA 2170).

Topics

1. Words and word structure

- *free and bound morphemes, allomorphs, roots and affixes, types of affixes, inflectional vs. derivational affixes*
- seminar handouts; [O'Grady-Dobrovolsky]: Ch. 4 first part

2. Word formation processes

- *derivation, compounding, conversion and other minor types*
- seminar handouts; [O'Grady-Dobrovolsky]: second part

3. Categories and structure

- *syntactic categories of words; phrase structure*
- seminar handouts; [O'Grady-Dobrovolsky]: Ch. 5, first part

4. Tests for phrase structure; complement options

- *substitution, movement, coordination; subcategorization of verbs, nouns, adjectives*
- seminar handouts; [O'Grady-Dobrovolsky]: second part

5. Types of verbs

- *semantic categories of verbs, the most common lexical verbs, regular and irregular verb endings, verb formation, valency patterns*
- lecture handouts; [Biber et al.]: pp. 102-123

6. Multi-word verbs

- *phrasal verbs, prepositional verbs, phrasal-prepositional verbs, other multi-word constructions*
- lecture handouts; [Biber et al.]: pp. 123-135

7. The primary (main and auxiliary) verbs *be, have, and do*

- lecture handouts; [Biber et al.]: pp. 135-148

8. Tense and time in English

- *tense forms and ways of expressing future time*
- lecture handouts; [Biber et al.]: pp. 148-156, [Quirk-Greenbaum]: pp. 40-50

9. Aspect in English

- *perfect and progressive in finite and non-finite forms*
- lecture handouts; [Biber et al.]: pp. 156-166

10. Modals and semi-modals in English

- lecture handouts; [Biber et al.]: pp. 174-186

11. Passive and causative constructions; focus phenomena (inversion, cleft sentences)

- lecture handouts; [Biber et al.]: pp. 166-174, 397-425

12. Participles, the infinitive, the gerund

- lecture handouts; [Biber et al.]: pp. 328-353

References

- [Biber et al.]: Biber, Douglas; Stig Johansson; Geoffrey Leech; Susan Conrad & Edward Finegan. 2002. *Longman Student Grammar of Spoken and Written English*. Harlow: Pearson Education.
- [O'Grady-Dobrovolsky]: O'Grady, W. & Dobrovolsky, M. 2007. *Contemporary Linguistics. An Introduction*. Harlow: Longman.
- [Quirk-Greenbaum]: Quirk, Randolph & Sidney Greenbaum. 1979. *A Student's Grammar of the English Language*. Harlow: Longman.

NOTE THAT YOU MAY ONLY TAKE THE EXAMINATION IF YOU HAVE GOT AT LEAST A „PASS” IN ALL THE PREREQUISITE SUBJECTS (TNA 1111, TNA 2113, TNA 2170)

Good luck!

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