

COURSE UNIT DESCRIPTION

Course unit title	Research field, branch, code	Faculty	Department, Institute
General morphology	Philology, Linguistics, H004	Philology	Department of Baltic Studies

Study cycle	3 rd (doctoral)
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Mode of delivery	ECTS credits	Type of the course unit	Language of instruction
Contact (lectures, workshops, tutorials)	8		
Individual or in a group			

Annotation of the course content

The natural languages may vary greatly with respect to the expression of grammatical and derivational categories, but the set of the categories and their exponents is finite. The course aims at discussing the major inflectional and derivational units and processes, their semantics and exponence. The course can be adapted to the specific topics addressed in the research project of the PhD student.

Topics covered

1. Units of morphology: lexemes and word-forms, morphemes and allomorphs, roots, affixes, and clitics.
2. Concatenative and non-concatenative morphological processes: affixation, composition, incorporation; sound and tone alternation, reduplication, etc.
3. Morphology and phonology (morphological alternations), morphology and syntax (clitics, compounds, incorporation, argument alternation).
4. Competing interpretations of morphological units and processes: *Item and Arrangement, Item and Process, Word and Paradigm*. The problem of organization of the mental lexicon.
5. Morphological semantics: lexical, derivational, and grammatical categories. Defining grammatical categories (features) and their values. Universality of grammatical and derivational categories.
6. Expression of grammatical categories (features): agglutination and fusion; inflectional paradigm; inflectional class. The problem of derivational paradigm.
7. Morphological regularity, frequency, and productivity.
8. Morphological units and processes in change: grammaticalization, degammaticalization, derivationalization.
9. Borrowing of morphological units and processes.
10. Morphology in psycholinguistics and computer linguistics.

Reading

Booij, Geert, Christian Lehmann, Joachim Mugdan, Stavros Skopetas & Wolfgang Kesselheim, eds. 2000–2004. *Morphology: An International Handbook on Inflection and Word-Formation*. Vol. 1–2. Berlin, New York: De Gruyter Mouton.

Gardani, Francesco, Peter Arkadiev, Nino Amiridze, eds. 2015. *Borrowed Morphology*. Berlin, Boston: De Gruyter Mouton.

Haspelmath, Martin, Andrea D. Sims. 2010. *Understanding Morphology*, 2nd ed., London: Hodder Education.

Müller, Peter O., Ingeborg Ohnheiser, Susan Olsen & Franz Rainer, eds. 2015–2016. *Word-Formation. An International Handbook of the Languages of Europe*. Vol. 1–5, Berlin, Boston: De Gruyter Mouton.

Plungian, Vladimir. 2010–2012. *Gramatinės tipologijos įvadas: gramatinės kategorijos pasaulio kalbose*. D. 1–2. Vilnius: VU leidykla.

Spencer, Andrew, Arnold M. Zwicky, eds. 2001. *The Handbook of Morphology*. Oxford: Blackwell.

Štekauer, Pavol, Rochelle Lieber, eds. 2005. *Handbook of Word-Formation*. Dordrecht: Springer.

Lecturer	Degree	Main works published in the research field during the last five years
Jurgis Pakerys	Doctor of the Humanities	Pakerys, Jurgis. 2021. Obligatory features of Lithuanian verbal inflection classes . In: Peter Arkadiev, Jurgis Pakerys, Inesa Šeškauskienė, Vaiva Žeimantienė (eds.), <i>Studies in Baltic and other Languages. A Festschrift for Axel Holvoet on the occasion of his 65th birthday</i> (Vilnius University Open Series Vol. 16). Vilnius: Vilnius University Press, 268–290, doi: 10.15388/SBOL.2021.14.
		Pakerys, Jurgis. 2020. Derivational networks in Lithuanian . In Lívia Körtvélyessy, Alexandra Bagasheva & Pavol Štekauer (eds.), <i>Derivational Networks Across Languages</i> , 333–346. De Gruyter Mouton, doi: 10.1515/9783110686630-034.
		Pakerys, Jurgis. 2018 [2019]. Periphrastic causative constructions in Baltic. An overview , <i>Baltic Linguistics</i> 9, 111–139.
		Nau, Nicole, Jurgis Pakerys. 2016 [2018]. Transitivity pairs in Baltic: between Finnic and Slavic , <i>Lingua Posnaniensis</i> 58(2), 83–126, doi: 10.1515/linpo-2016-0011.

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