**ROMANIAN ACADEMY**

**SCHOOL OF ADVANCED STUDIES OF THE ROMANIAN ACADEMY (SCOSAAR)**

**DOCTORAL SCHOOL: PHILOLOGY AND CULTURAL STUDIES**

**COURSE SYLLABUS**

**Discipline name: Pragmatics**

**The holder of the course activities: prof. dr. MARIANA NET, Senior Researcher Emerita**

Year of studies: 1

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| **Number of hours per week/Evaluation type/Credits** | | |
| **Twice a month course/twice a month seminar** (alternatively) | **Evaluation type** | **Credits** |
| 2 hrs/week | Paper | 20 |

1. **COURSE OBJECTIVES** (The objectives are described in terms of professional skills aquired):

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| General objective: | * + Acquirement of general knowledge, both theoretical and practical as regards a linguistic pragmatics and its relations with general linguistics, semiotics anhd discourse analysis. |
| Specific objectives: | * + Definitions of pragmatics, pragmatics in context, the main concepts it makes use of.   + Research methods in pragmatics: J.L. Austin, J. Searle, H.P. Grice.   + Possible use of pragmatic analysis   + Pragmatics’ relations with “syntactix” and with semiotics |

1. **CONDITIONS** (where applicable)

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| for running the course | * + **The course will take place in person/online.**   + **Room with multimedia equipment (computer, video projector, internet).** |

1. **SPECIFIC SKILLS ACQUIRED (**It concerns the skills ensured by the study program of which the discipline is a part)

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| Professional skills | * + Capacity to approach a text from a pragmatic perspective   + Capacity to reach a refined intepretation of texts   + Capacity to reach a critical intepretation of research results   + Capacity to understand and evaluate new information correctly   + Capacity to indentify alternative solutions and to understand the relevance of this alternatives. |
| Transversal skills | * Development of the students’ capacity to establish relations between different linguistic fields and between data obtained through different methods. * Development of the students’ critical thinking and of their continuous study. * Encouraging the students’ necesity of studying up to date bibliography. |

1. **THE CONTENT OF THE DISCIPLINE**

***Course + related seminar***

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| **Chapter** | **Contents** | | **No. of hrs** |
| 1. Sources of pragmatics | Pragmatics according to Charles Morris  Pragmatics according to Thomas A. Sebeok  Pragmatics according to A.J. Greimas | | 2 + 2  2 + 2  2 + 2 |
| 2. New directions in pragmatics | Pragmatics and discourse analysis  Pragmatics’ relations with text theory | | 2 + 2  2 + 2 |
| 3. Pragmatics: between linguistics and semiotics | Pragmatics, as interaction between general linguistics, text semiotics, poetics and rethotic. | | 4 + 4 |
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1. **EVALUATION** (The methods, evaluation form and their weight oim determining the final grade are specified. The minimum performance standards are indicated, related to the skills defid in point **A. Course objectives**)

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| **Type of activity** | **Evaluation criteria** | **Evaluation methods** | **Weight in determining the final grade** |
| Course | - Originality of viewpoint  - Clarity and coherence of expression  - Accurate indication of sources | Paper | 100 p.c. |
| The results of the evaluation are expressed through the following qualifications: “*Very well*”, *“Well”, “Sufficient”, “Insufficient”.* The qualifications“*Very well*”, *“Well”* and *“Sufficient”,* allow the doctoral student to obtain the credits. | | | |

1. **METHODOLOGICAL LANDAMARKS**

Lecture combined with dialogue. Use of modern teaching aids (ppt.). Course support.

1. **CORROBORATION OF THE CONTENT OF THE COURSE WITH THE EXPECTATIONS OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EPISTEMIC COMMUNITY, PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND REPRESENTATIVE EMPLOYERS FROM THE FIELD RELATED TO THE PROGRAM**

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| * The course aims at making the sudents aquire new information and skills and at developing their analysis ande synthasis capacity. |

1. **BIBLIOGRAPHY**

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