

Jordan University of Science and Technology Faculty of Science & Arts English Language & Linguistics Department

ENG796	Neuro	ling	uistics
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First Semester 2024-2025

Course Catalog

3 Credit Hours. This course introduces the key principles and goals of modern neurolinguistics as a science that incorporates methods and paradigms of linguistics and neuroscience. This course discusses the main units and organizational principles of the human nervous system that underlie our language capacity. Students will learn about the neurophysiological aspects of first and second language learning, clinical research in speech, reading and writing disorders, and speech disorders accompanying various psychiatric conditions. The course includes information on the history of neurolinguistics, modern techniques and methods of neurolinguistic research, and provides detailed examples of recent studies in the field.

Teaching Method: On Campus

Text Book			
Title	The Student?s Guide to Cognitive Neuroscience		
Author(s)	Ward, Jamie		
Edition	4th Edition		
Short Name	Ref. 1		
Other Information	Chapter 2: The Structure and Function of the Brain.		

Course References

Short name	Book name	Author(s)	Edition	Other Information
Ref. 2	Linguistics and Aphasia: Psycholinguistic and Pragmatic Aspects of Intervention.	Lesser, Ruth & Milroy, Lesley	2nd Edition	
Re3f. 3	Introduction to Neurolinguistics	Ahlsen	3rd Edition	
Ref. 4	Neurolinguistics: An Introduction to Spoken Language Processing and its Disorders	John Ingram	3rd Edition	

Instructor

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Class Schedule & Room

Section 1:

Lecture Time: Sun, Tue: 15:00 - 16:30

Room: M1303

Tentative List of Topics Covered			
Weeks	Topic	References	
Week 1	What is Neurolinguistics and a brief history of the field?		
Weeks 2, 3	Introducing the Brain		
Week 4	Evolution of Brain and Language		
Week 5	Broca?s Area, Wernicke?s Area, and the Arcuate Fasciculus		
Weeks 6, 7	The Speaking Brain		
Weeks 8, 9	Reading and writing from a neurolinguistic perspective.		
Weeks 10, 11	Gestures and Language Production and Reception		
Week 12	11. Introduction to Bilingualism in the Brain		
Weeks 13, 14	Bilingualism and Cognitive Reserve		
Week 15	Language Disorders in the Brain		

Mapping of Course Outcomes to Program Outcomes	Course Outcome Weight (Out of 100%)	Assessment method
Students will be able to identify key principles of neurolinguistics, including its relationship with both neuroscience and linguistics.	25%	
Students will explain the organizational principles of the nervous system that support human language capacity, differentiating between various components, such as the brain's structure and functions.	25%	
Students will apply knowledge of neurophysiological mechanisms to analyze case studies on language learning and language disorders (e.g., aphasia, dyslexia).	25%	
Students will compare and contrast different methods and modern techniques in neurolinguistics research, evaluating their effectiveness in studying language disorders, the effect of bilingualism on cognitive reserve, and the effect of gestures on language production and reception.	25%	

Relationship to Program Student Outcomes (Out of 100%)					
PLO 1-K1	PLO 2-S1	PLO 3- S2	PLO 4- S3	PLO 5-C1/2	PLO 6- C3/4

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