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The politics of language 810 (LCC 810)

Qualification Postgraduate

Faculty [Faculty of Humanities](#)

Module credits 20.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Academic organisation Afrikaans

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

Politics of language and language planning The development of new areas for study and research in the politics of language and language planning is demonstrated. Topics that will be discussed are language and language-related problems; language auditing; sociolinguistic profiling; the instrumental and symbolic functions of languages; language and the construction of identity, the need for language planning; language stipulations of the SA constitution; language policy development at national, provincial and local levels of government; the implementation of language policy; its evaluation; language planning and cost-estimation. The module takes into account the realities of the South African language environment and attention is given to issues surrounding standardisation.

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