

HS Semantic Change
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Term Plan

Date	Topics	Required Readings
18.10.	Organisation and Introduction	Algeo (1990)
25.10.	Theoretical Background: Language Change	Nerlich (1989); Lüdke (1999)
Pre-Structuralist Historical Semantics		
01.11.	Traditional Semantics	Stern (1931: Chapter 7)
Structuralist Semantics		
08.11.	Structuralist Semantics and the Semantic Field	Ullmann (1962: Chapter 9); Lehrer (1985)
15.11.	Structuralist Semantics and Semantic Change	Ullmann (1962: Chapter 8)
Post-Structuralist Historical Semantics		
	<i>The Socio-Cultural Approach</i>	
22.11.	Words and Social Change	Hughes (1989: 1-31)
	<i>Semantic Change and Cognition</i>	
29.11.	Cognitive Models of Semantic Change	Blank (1999); Palmer (1996: 27-34)
06.12.	Diachronic Prototype Semantics	Geeraerts (1999)
13.12.	Cognition and Metaphors	Lakoff and Johnson (1981: 3-40); Palmer (1996: 222-245)
20.12.	Diachronic Metaphorical Analysis	Sweetser (1990)
27.12.	Christmas break	
03.01.		
	<i>Regularity in Semantic Change</i>	
10.01.	Regularity in Semantic Change: An Introduction	Traugott (1985)
17.01.	Grammaticalization and Semantic Bleaching	Sweetser (1988)
24.01.	Grammaticalisation: The Development of Modal Verbs	Bybee (1995)
31.01.	Grammaticalisation: Tenses	Bybee et al. (1991)
07.02.	Conclusion and Evaluation	

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