Subject Code	ENGL548			
Subject Title	Field Studies in Discourse for Language Professionals			
Credit Value	3			
Level	5			
Pre-requisite / Co-requisite/ Exclusion	N/A			
Objectives	This subject aims to build on students' knowledge of discourse analysis and pragmatics. It provides students with an advanced understanding of how spoken and written discourses are organised and how meanings are realised. The subject emphasises the study of professional discourses, including those of language professionals.			
Intended Learning Outcomes	 Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to: a) demonstrate an advanced understanding of the relationships between the contexts of use and linguistic features in written and spoken texts; b) identify and describe the structural elements, textual patterns and organisation of written and spoken interaction and how these may differ across genres; c) evaluate and apply a variety of theories and frameworks for describing and analysing professional discourse and thus be better equipped to more effectively use a variety of English discourse types; d) demonstrate both a critical understanding of the ways of describing meaning at word, clause and text levels and their appropriacy to the professional context; e) interact effectively with readers/hearers through discourse so as to achieve organization and/or personal goals. 			
Subject Synopsis	 The following topics will be covered: Review of theories and frameworks related to discourse analysis and pragmatics Intercultural communication in professional contexts Critical Discourse Analysis Genre Analysis Intertextuality and Interdiscursivity Metadiscourse and language of evaluation Forensic Discourse Analysis 			

Teaching/Learning Methodology	Lecture inputs will be integrated with inter Whenever possible, the examples/data used the students and their places of work in order applicability of what is being studied.	l during the s	ubjec	t will	be dra		rom	
Assessment Methods in Alignment with Intended Learning Outcomes	Specific assessment methods/tasks	% weighting		Intended subject learning outcomes to be assessed				
			a	b	с	d	e	
	 Data-driven genre and pragmatic analysis plus discussion of findings 	40%	~	~	~	~	~	
	(2,000 words)							
	2. Oral presentation	20%	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	
	Using at least one of the theories or frameworks covered to analyse student's own choice of data.							
	(20 minute presentation)							
	3. Data-driven critical discourse analysis plus discussion of findings.	40%	~	~	~	~	~	
	(2,000 words)							
	Total	100%		1		1		
	Each of the assignments requires the students to demonstrate a critical understanding of at least one theory or framework covered through the analysis of real world data. Also, each assignment requires the critical discussion of the findings and their implications for professional communication.							
Student Study Effort Required	Class contact:							
	 Lecture/Seminar 			39 Hrs.				
	Other student study effort:							
	• Preparing for in-class seminar activities by reading articles and books.			61 Hrs.				
	Other private study			20 Hrs.				
	Total student study effort		120 Hrs.			Hrs.		
Reading List and	Recommended Bhatia, V. K. 2004. Worlds of Written Discourse. London: Continuum.							

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	 Scollon, R. 2002. Interdiscursivity and Identity. In Michael Toolan (ed.), <i>Critical Discourse Analysis: Critical Concepts in Linguistics</i>. London: Routledge. Spencer-Oatey, H. (ed.) 2008. <i>Culturally Speaking: Culture, Communication</i> <i>and Politeness Theory</i>, 2nd ed. London; New York: Continuum. Warren, M. 2006. <i>Features of Naturalness in Conversation</i>. Amsterdam: John Benjamins. Warren, M. 2010. Realisations of intertextuality, interdiscursivity and hybridisation in the discourses of professionals. In G. Garzone and M. Gotti (eds.) <i>Tension and change in domain-specific genres</i>. Frankfurt main: Peter Lang.

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