

BS (4 Years) for Affiliated Colleges



Code	Subject Title	Cr. Hrs	Semester
ENG-312	SEMANTICS	3	V
Year	Discipline		
3	English		

Aims:

To introduce students to fundamental semantic relations and concepts and contextualize their existing Notions of meaning into systematic linguistic study.

Contents:

- **Early theories of meaning** (Ogden and Richards; Ferdinand de Saussure)
- **Sense Relations/ Lexical Relation**
 - Sense Inclusion**
 - a. Semantic fields
 - b. Hyponymy
 - c. Synonymy
 - d. Polysemy
 - Sense Exclusion**
 - e. Antonymy
 - f. Homonymy
- **Componential analysis**
- **Syntactic Semantics**
 - a. Contradiction
 - b. Ambiguity
 - c. Semantic Anomaly
 - d. Entailment
 - e. Presupposition
- **Reference**
 - a. Denotation
 - b. Connotation
 - c. Synthetic Sentence
 - d. Prototype
 - e. Stereotype
 - f. Extension
 - g. Context

Recommended Readings:

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