Applied Linguistics and Discourse Studies (ALDS)

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Linguistics & Language Studies

Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences

ALDS 1001 [0.5 credit]

Introduction to Applied Linguistics and Discourse Studies

First and second language acquisition; sign language; language teaching and assessment; language in society; language, identity and power; discourse analysis; written language and literacy.

Precludes additional credit for LALS 1000 and LALS 1002 (no longer offered).

Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 2201 [0.5 credit]

Analysis of Oral Language Use

Introduction to the analysis of oral language in use; distinctions between spoken and written language; theoretical and methodological approaches such as speech act theory, ethnography of communication, conversation analysis, and discourse analysis; classroom interaction; interaction in first- and second-language acquisition; analysis of spoken language corpora. Precludes additional credit for LALS 2201 (no longer offered).

Prerequisite(s): second-year standing. Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 2202 [0.5 credit]

Analysis of Written Language Use

Introduction to the analysis of written language in use, including theoretical and methodological approaches such as rhetorical genre studies (including academic and workplace writing); adult literacy studies; text-structure analysis; discourse analysis (including critical discourse analysis); analysis of textual corpora.

Precludes additional credit for LALS 2202 (no longer offered).

Prerequisite(s): second-year standing. Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 2203 [0.5 credit]

Linguistic Theory and Second-Language Learning

A critical study of linguistic theory and description applied to second-language learning. Includes a brief consideration of similarities and differences in first- and second-language development, bilingualism and types of linguistic error and their significance.

Precludes additional credit for LALS 2203 (no longer offered).

Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 2701 [0.5 credit]

Language in Society

The place of language within society; bilingual and multilingual communities; language, social mobility and social stratification; sociolinguistic factors in language change.

Precludes additional credit for LALS 2701 (no longer offered).

Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 2704 [0.5 credit]

Bilingualism

The linguistic nature of bilingualism. The structure of bilingual societies and the relation between societal and individual bilingualism. The role of bilingualism in language education.

Precludes additional credit for LALS 2704 (no longer offered).

Prerequisite(s): second-year standing.

Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 2705 [0.5 credit]

Language, Ideology and Power

How social conditions engender different linguistic choices. Attention to linguistic resources for expressing ideological beliefs and for maintaining and reinforcing power structures in institutional and social sites. Precludes additional credit for FYSM 1205 or LALS 2705 (no longer offered).

Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 3201 [0.5 credit]

Cross-Cultural Communication

Introduction to cross-cultural communication in social, academic and professional settings. Application of theoretical perspectives to case study analysis; pedagogical/training topics as relevant to students' disciplines; collaborative work with other language and cultural groups as feasible.

Precludes additional credit for LALS 3903 if taken in 2009 or 2010, or ALDS 3903 if taken in 2011.

Prerequisite(s): third-year standing, and one of LING 1001 or ALDS 1001, or permission of the School. Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 3401 [0.5 credit]

Research and Theory in Academic Writing

Study of contemporary research and theory (1970s to present) on academic writing in elementary, secondary and post-secondary school, with emphasis on writing in university. Consideration of what academic writing entails, how writing fosters learning, and how instruction can help students develop their writing abilities.

Also listed as ENGL 3908.

Precludes additional credit for LALS 2407 [1.0], ENGL 2907, LALS 3400, LALS 3401, ENGL 3907.

Prerequisite(s): third-year standing or permission of the instructor.

Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 3402 [0.5 credit]

Research and Theory in Workplace Writing

Study of contemporary research and theory (1980s to present) in writing in workplace settings. Consideration of how writing is used in accomplishing work, how novices learn to write effectively, and what the implications are for pedagogy.

Also listed as ENGL 3909.

Precludes additional credit for LALS 2407 [1.0], ENGL 2907, LALS 3400, LALS 3402, ENGL 3907.

Prerequisite(s): third-year standing or permission of the instructor.

Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 3405 [0.5 credit] Second Language Writing

Theory and practice of second language (L2) writing: how people learn to write in a second language, and how L2 writing courses for specific groups of learners can be designed.

Precludes additional credit for LALS 3405 (no longer offered).

Prerequisite(s): third-year standing in Applied Linguistics and Discourse Studies, or in Linguistics, or enrolment in the CTESL program, or permission of the instructor. Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 3701 [0.5 credit]

Corpus Linguistics

Computer-assisted analysis of electronic collections of naturally occurring language. Applications in such areas as language variation, grammar, lexicology, phraseology, translation, and learner language.

Precludes additional credit for LALS 3701 (no longer offered).

Prerequisite(s): third-year standing in Applied Linguistics and Discourse Studies, or in Linguistics, or enrolment in the CTESL program, or permission of the instructor. Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 3705 [0.5 credit]

Adult Literacy

The extent and social contexts of restricted literacy in Canadian society; approaches to and debates surrounding the teaching and learning of adult literacy.

Precludes additional credit for LALS 4906 (if taken in 1994-95 or 1995-96) and LALS 3705 (no longer offered). Prerequisite(s): third-year standing or permission of the instructor.

Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 3706 [0.5 credit]

Discourse Analysis

Principles of and studies in discourse analysis, including both conversational and textual/documentary analysis. The major focus is on language use in structuring social relationships.

Precludes additional credit for LALS 3706 or LALS 4203 (no longer offered).

Prerequisite(s): third-year standing in Applied Linguistics and Discourse Studies, or in Linguistics, or enrolment in the CTESL program, or permission of the instructor. Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 3803 [0.5 credit]

Methods and Practice in Language Pedagogy

Integrates theory and description of language learning and teaching with practical work in one of the languages offered by the School. Requires observation in a language classroom, along with practical work facilitating in-class or language lab activities, or developing teaching materials. Prerequisite(s): permission of the language instructor for the language class in which practical work will be conducted; proficiency in the language in question, as determined by either completion of the prerequisites for 4010 of that language, or assessment by the language instructor, and completion of ALDS 2203; or permission of the School.

ALDS 3900 [1.0 credit] Independent Study

Research under the supervision of a member of the School. Normally available only to third- and fourth-year students in Applied Linguistics and Discourse Studies. Prerequisite(s): permission of the instructor.

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ALDS 3903 [0.5 credit]

Special Topic in Applied Linguistics and Discourse Studies

Selected topics in Applied Linguistics and Discourse Studies not ordinarily treated in the regular course program.

Prerequisite(s): LALS 1000 (or LALS 1001 and LALS 1002) or (ALDS 1001 and LING 1001), or permission of the instructor.

Lectures and discussion three hours per week.

ALDS 4201 [0.5 credit]

Language Testing

The principles of test construction as applied to testing language proficiency, achievement and aptitude. Structural, notional, discrete point and integrative tests are

covered. Students are expected to create, analyze and evaluate language tests.

Precludes additional credit for LALS 4201 (no longer offered).

Prerequisite(s): third-year standing in Applied Linguistics and Discourse Studies, or in Linguistics, or enrolment in the CTESL program, or permission of the instructor. Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 4205 [1.0 credit]

Teaching English as a Second Language: Methodology

Classification of classroom teaching methods and materials; adaptation of teaching materials for particular situations; creation of teaching materials; teaching techniques and strategies.

Precludes additional credit for LALS 4205 or LALS 5205 (no longer offered).

Prerequisite(s): fourth-year standing in the concurrent CTESL program, or enrolment in the post-graduate CTESL program.

Also offered at the graduate level, with different requirements, as ALDS 5205, for which additional credit is precluded.

Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 4206 [1.0 credit] Practicum in Teaching ESL

Investigates the processes of classroom learning with observation and some teaching experience in ESL classes. Normally taken concurrently with ALDS 4205. Precludes additional credit for LALS 4206 (no longer offered).

Prerequisite(s): fourth-year standing in the concurrent CTESL program, or enrolment in the post-graduate CTESL program.

ALDS 4207 [0.5 credit] ESL Literacy

The nature of everyday literacy and literacy skills. Analyzing the structure of everyday literacy texts and demands. Issues in literacy for second-language learners. Precludes additional credit for LALS 4207 (no longer offered)

Prerequisite(s): third-year standing in Applied Linguistics and Discourse Studies, or in Linguistics, or enrolment in the CTESL program, or permission of the instructor. Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 4208 [0.5 credit]

Languages for Specific Purposes

An introduction to Languages for Specific Purposes - language instruction tailored to specific groups of learners, e.g. English for Science, for Business, for the Workplace, for Academic Purposes. Research and teaching methodology. Emphasis on EAP/ESP research and instruction at Carleton.

Precludes additional credit for LALS 4208 (no longer offered).

Prerequisite(s): third-year standing in Applied Linguistics and Discourse Studies, or in Linguistics, or enrolment in the CTESL program, or permission of the instructor. Also offered at the graduate level, with different requirements, as ALDS 5208, for which additional credit is precluded.

Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 4209 [0.5 credit] Foreign Language Teaching

An introduction to the principles of teaching language in a foreign-language context; review of teaching approaches; practical examination, development and evaluation of instructional materials. Students will have the option of completing a placement in an overseas setting subsequent to the end of the course.

Precludes additional credit for LALS 4209 (no longer offered).

Prerequisite(s): fourth-year standing in the concurrent CTESL program, enrolment in the post-graduate CTESL program, or permission of the instructor. Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 4403 [0.5 credit]

Writing and Knowledge-Making in the Disciplines

The role of writing in constructing knowledge in academic disciplines, as viewed from contemporary socio-cultural perspectives. Consideration of how the goals, values, and assumptions of different disciplines shape their writing in distinctive ways and what implications this holds for pedagogy.

Also listed as ENGL 4909.

Precludes additional credit for LALS 5406 or LALS 5602. Prerequisite(s): third-year standing.

Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 4405 [0.5 credit]

Teaching Writing in School and the Workplace

Introduction to approaches for teaching writing in elementary and secondary school, in university, and in the workplace, with a focus on socio-cultural theories of language and learning. Discussion of applications of these approaches to classroom and workplace teaching. Also listed as ENGL 4515.

Precludes additional credit for LALS 4906 if taken in 2010, or ALDS 4906A if taken in 2011.

Prerequisite(s): third-year standing, or permission of the instructor.

Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 4602 [0.5 credit]

Second Language Acquisition

Current issues in second language acquisition; factors influencing success in acquiring a second or additional language, discourse and culture. Emphasis on theoretical concepts, empirical research, and practical implications for language teaching.

Precludes additional credit for LALS 4602 (no longer offered).

Prerequisite(s): third-year standing in Applied Linguistics and Discourse Studies, or in Linguistics, or enrolment in the CTESL program, or permission of the instructor. Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 4709 [0.5 credit]

Systemic-Functional Linguistics

Functions of language in the exchange of meanings between people in a wide variety of communicative situations. Semantic and syntactic resources at risk in these different contexts. Interactions between language and the social context.

Precludes additional credit in LALS 4709 or LALS 5102 (no longer offered).

Prerequisite(s): third-year standing in Applied Linguistics and Discourse Studies, or Linguistics, or Journalism, or Communication Studies, or permission of the instructor. Also offered at the graduate level, with different requirements, as ALDS 5102, for which additional credit is precluded.

Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 4801 [0.5 credit] Major Structures of English

This course is intended to familiarize students with the structure of the English language, highlighting important contrasts between English and other languages as well as grammatical difficulties for ESL learners.

Precludes additional credit for LALS 4801 or LALS 5103 (no longer offered).

Prerequisite(s): third-year standing in Applied Linguistics and Discourse Studies, or in Linguistics, or enrolment in the CTESL program, or permission of the instructor. Also offered at the graduate level, with different requirements, as ALDS 5103, for which additional credit is precluded.

Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 4900 [1.0 credit]

Independent Study

Permits fourth-year Honours students to pursue their interests in a selected area of Applied Linguistics and Discourse Studies.

Prerequisite(s): permission of the instructor.

ALDS 4901 [0.5 credit] Independent Study

Permits fourth-year Honours students to pursue their interests in a selected area of Applied Linguistics and Discourse Studies.

Prerequisite(s): permission of the instructor.

ALDS 4906 [0.5 credit]

Special Topic in Applied Linguistics and Discourse Studies

Selected topics in applied linguistics and discourse studies. Contents of this course vary from year to year. Prerequisite(s): third- or fourth-year standing or enrolment in the CTESL program.

Lectures three hours a week.

ALDS 4908 [1.0 credit]

Honours Project in Applied Linguistics and Discourse Studies

Individually designed intensive practicum or research experience. May involve (a) a practicum or work study placement in writing or literacy studies, language syllabus design or test development; (b) intensive research activity in an area of Applied Linguistics and Discourse Studies. All projects will include substantial written work. Prerequisite(s): fourth-year standing in Applied Linguistics and Discourse Studies, a CGPA of 9.00 or better, or permission of the School.

Tutorial hours arranged.

Summer session: some of the courses listed in this Calendar are offered during the summer. Hours and scheduling for summer session courses will differ significantly from those reported in the fall/winter Calendar. To determine the scheduling and hours for summer session classes, consult the class schedule at central.carleton.ca

Not all courses listed are offered in a given year. For an up-to-date statement of course offerings for the current session and to determine the term of offering, consult the class schedule at central.carleton.ca