語言學研究所九十六學年度下學期課程大綱

科號	LING501000	組別	學分	3	人數限制	
科目中文名稱	語言學比較方法		教室	教室 人社 C519		
科目英文名稱	The Comparative Method					
任課教師	廖秀娟 (LIAO, HSIU-CHUAN)					
上課時間	Wednesday 9:00AM-12:00noon					
擋修科目	高級語言學概論	Ħ	擋修	分數	70	

This course provides an introduction to the principles of historical linguistics. We will examine the concepts of linguistic reconstruction and change through a problem-solving
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approach.
Topics to be addressed include: (i) Genetic relationship; (ii)
Sound change and the Comparative Method; (iii) Language
contact and borrowing; (iv) Subgrouping; (v) Linguistic
prehistory.
Data will be drawn from a variety of languages, with a foci
on the languages of the Austronesian language family.
[Note: This course will be offered in English.]
二、指定用書 **Crowley, Terry. 1997. An introduction to historical
linguistics (3 rd edition). Auckland, Oxford, and New
York: Oxford University Press. [Call #: P140 C76 1997]
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Campbell, Lyle. 2004. Historical Linguistics: An
introduction. Cambridge: The MIT Press. (Chapter
3—pp. 62-102)
**primary textbook
三、參考書籍 Aitchison, Jean. 1991. Language change: Progress or decay
Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
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Rinehart, and Winston.
Bynon, Theodora. 1977. Historical linguistics. Cambridge
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Utah Press.

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- Millar, Robert McColl. (revised). 2007. *Trask's historical linguistics*, 2nd edition. London: Hodder Arnold.
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- Trask, R. L. 2000. *The dictionary of historical and comparative linguistics*. Chicago and London: Fitzroy Dearborn Publishers. [Call #: P140 T74 2000—Reference section, 2nd Floor]
- Traugott, Elizabeth Closs, and Richard B. Dasher. 2002.

 *Regularity in semantic change. Cambridge Studies in Linguistics. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Traugott, Elizabeth Closs, and Bernd Heine, eds. 1991.

 Approaches to grammaticalization. Philadelphia: Benjamins.
- Wanner, Dieter. 2006. The power of analogy: An essay on historical linguistics. Trends in Linguistics, Studies and

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四、教學方式	This cou	This course covers major topics in historical linguistics through a series of readings, lectures, discussions, and 'hands-on' experience with comparative analysis.		
五、教學進度	W1	1 2/20/2008 Orientation		
	W2	2/27/2008	Genetic Classification: A Global Survey	
	W3	3/5/2008	Genetic Relationship (Crowley—Ch.1; Greenberg—Ch.III)	
	W4	3/12/2008	Types of Sound Change (Ch.2); Phonetic and Phonemic Change (Ch. 4)	
	W5	3/19/2008	Expressing Sound Changes (Ch. 3); The Comparative Method (Ch. 5)	
	W6	3/26/2008	Short Research Report due; Grammatical, Semantic, and Lexical Change—I (Ch.7)	
	* W7	4/2/2008	Holiday: Spring Break	
	*W8	4/9/2008	No class	
	W9	4/16/2008	Grammatical, Semantic, and Lexical Change—II (Ch.7)	
	W10	4/23/2008	Borrowing and Language Contact (Crowley—Ch.12; Campbell—Ch.3)	
	W11	4/30/2008	Internal Reconstruction (Ch.6); Subgrouping (Crowley—Ch.8.1; Greenberg—Ch.IV)	
	W12	5/7/2008	Term Paper Abstract due; Lexicostatistics and Glottochronology (Ch. 8.2)	
	W13	5/14/2008	Problems with the Comparative Method (Ch.11)	
	W14	5/21/2008	Linguistic Prehistory—I (Ch.13)	
	W15	5/28/2008	Linguistic Prehistory—II (Ch. 13)	
	W16	6/4/2008	Causes of Language Change (Ch. 9)	
	W17	6/11/2008	Presentation	
	W18	6/18/2008	Term Paper due	
六、成績考核	requirer can be g (a) j	nents are fulfille given. participation (10		
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