



الجامعة السعودية الإلكترونية  
SAUDI ELECTRONIC UNIVERSITY  
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## **Discourse Analysis & Text Linguistics (ENG360)**

### **Course Syllabus**

**English Language and Translation Department**

**College of Science and Theoretical Studies**

**Saudi Electronic University**

<b>A: General Information</b>
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| <b>1. Course Title</b>   | Discourse Analysis and Text Linguistics         |
| <b>2. Course Code</b>    | ENG360  |
| <b>3. Semester/ Year</b> | 6 <sup>th</sup> Semester – 3 <sup>rd</sup> year |
| <b>4. Course credit</b>  | 3 Hours   |
| <b>5. Course Level</b>   | Level 6   |
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## **B: Academic Content**

### **Course aim and objectives:**

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Recognize the properties of different texts and characterize speakers' and writers' interpersonal stances in various social settings.
2. Identify and classify various genres or text types.
3. Grasp the general features and organization of discourse typical of various discourse types. Evaluate written materials in the field of discourse and discourse analysis critically.
4. Recognize the implications of social and cultural contexts in the interpretation of meaning in both written and naturally occurring discourse.
5. Analyze English texts according to the seven principles of textuality

### **Learning Outcomes:**

1. Recognize linguistic units used in texts.
2. Recognize the implications of social and cultural contexts in the interpretation of meaning in both written and naturally occurring discourse.
3. Recognize texts as communicative occurrences that incorporate text-presented knowledge with one's stored knowledge about the world.
4. Identify various genres or text types operating in particular social settings.
5. Analyze English texts according to the seven principles of textuality.
6. Evaluate written materials in the field of discourse and discourse analysis critically.

**Prerequisites: ENG301**

## **C: Timetable for sessions**

<b>Week</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Chapters</b>	<b>Students Commitments</b>
1.	Week 0	ORIENTATION WEEK	
2.	Week 1	Chapter 1 – Introduction to Discourse Analysis (Renkema)	

			Chapter 2- Communication as Action; Introduction to Discourse Analysis, (Renkema)	
3.	Week 2		Chapter 1 – Basic Notion Introduction to Text Linguistics ( <i>Beaugrande</i> ) The seven standards for textuality	Assignment 1 (10 points)
4.	Week 3		Chapter 3 – Discourse in Communication, (Renkema)  Chapter 4 – Discourse Types, (Renkema)	Discussion board 6-2 (5 points)
5.	Week 4		Chapter 5 – Structured Content, (Renkema)  Chapter 6 – Discourse Connections, (Renkema)	Assignment 2 (5 points)
6.	Week 5		Chapter 9 – Conversation Analysis	
7.	Week 6		Chapter 10 – Informative Discourse, (Renkema)	
8.	Week 7		Chapter 11 – Narratives, (Renkema)	
9.	Week 8		<b>MIDTERM EXAMS</b>	
10.	Week 9		Chapter 12 – Argumentation and Persuasion, (Renkema)  Chapter 13 – Discourse and Cognition, (Renkema)	
11.	Week 10		Chapter 3 - Material, Mental and Verbal Processes (Halliday and Webster) 3.1.1. Material Processes 3.2.1 Mental Processes 3.3.1 Verbal Processes	
12.	Week 11		Chapter 4 – Relational Processes, (Halliday and Webster) 4.1 Ascriptive 4.2.1 Equative  Chapter 5 – Participants and Circumstances, (Halliday and Webster)	Quiz (10 points)

			5.5 Summary of participants and circumstances (objective) 5.5 Concluding remarks on Participants and Circumstances	
13.	Week 12		Chapter 10- Case study (Halliday and Webster)	Assignment 3 (10 points)
14.	Week 13		Chapter 14 – Discourse and Institution, (Renkema)	
15.	Week 14		Chapter 15 – Discourse and Culture, (Renkema)	
16.	Week 15		<b>General revision</b>	
17.	Week 16		<b>FINAL EXAMS</b>	
18.	Week 17			
19.	Week 18			

<b>D: Course Resources</b>
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**Textbooks:**

- Renkema, J. (2004). *Introduction to discourse studies*. Amsterdam: John Benjamins Pub. ISBN-13: 978-1588115300 ISBN-10: 1588115305
- Halliday, M. A., & Webster, J. (2014). *Text linguistics: The how and why of meaning*. Sheffield, UK: Equinox Publishing. ISBN-13: 978- 1904768487 ISBN-10: 1904768482
- Beaugrande, R. D., & Dressler, W. U. (1981). *Introduction to text linguistics*. London: Longman. ISBN-13: 978-0582554856 ISBN- .058255 :10

<b>E: Assessment</b>
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- **Assessment Overview**

Assessment Type	Due Date of Assignments	Weight
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Assignment 1	Week 2	10 points
Discussion Board	Week 3	5 points
Assignment 2	Week 4	5 points
Quiz	Week 11	10 points
Assignment 3	Week 12	10 points
Midterm Exam	Week 8	20 points
Final Exam	Week 16-17	40 points
Total	100 points	

<b>F: Additional Requirements</b>
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- The student must follow attendance policy that given by the university.
- The student is responsible to read all announcements that are regularly posted by the instructor.

- Any student having difficulty understanding this handout should contact the instructor for clarifications.
- For all enquiries, students should contact the instructor.