

BHARATHIAR UNIVERSITY : COIMBATORE-641 046
M.Phil./Ph.D. – LINGUISTICS
(For the candidates admitted from the academic year 2014-15 onwards)

PART I : Paper – III PSYCHOLINGUISTICS

Objectives:

To acquaint the students with the principles of psychology and linguistics and to train them in the theories and methods of psycholinguistics.

Unit - I: Introduction to Psycholinguistics

Concepts of 'psycholinguistics' - language and other signaling systems -biological bases of human language - nervous system: central nervous system, peripheral nervous system, cranial nerves - cerebral cortex – hemispheres – lobes – fore brain – mid brain – hind brain - thalamus - corpus callosum -- bilingual brain – brain language relationship and its models; cerebral dominance and lateralization.

Reading List:

Beg, M.K.A., 1991, Ch.1
Berko Gleason, J. & Bernstein Ratner, N. (1993), Ch.2
Oblor, K.L., 1999, Ch.2&3

Unit - II: Theories of Language Learning and Acquisition

Language Acquisition - Theories of Language Learning and Acquisition: biological nativist, behaviorist, cognitivist, social-interactionist - Critical period hypothesis – Experimental studies of teaching language to primates – issues and processes in language acquisition – three periods in the history of language acquisition: diary, large sample, longitudinal and cross sectional studies.

Reading List

Beg, M.K.A. 1991, Ch 4&5
Berko Gleason, J. & Bernstein Ratner, N. (1993), Ch.8, pp. 375 – 389.
Ellis, R. 1994, Ch.2. pp. 73 – 118.

Unit -III: Developmental Psycholinguistics

First language acquisition and second language learning: bilingual acquisition – Stages of language acquisition – Acquisition of formal aspects of language: speech sounds, lexical items, grammatical and syntactic categories – Universal Grammar and Language acquisition- Individual learner differences- language and environmental factors – implications in language learning: social and psychological factors in second language learning – learning strategies.

Reading List

Berko Gleason, J. & Bernstein Ratner, N. (1993), Ch. 7 & 9.
Clark, H. et.al., 1977. Ch. 6.
Garmen, M. 1990 Ch. 7
Harley, T. 2001. Ch.5.

Unit – IV: Language Processing

Process of speech perception; its models - accessing word and meaning -process of comprehension; perceptual units and perceptual strategies - sentence comprehension and

discourse comprehension, its steps - Accessing the mental lexicon and its models – Sentence production; The internal structure of the message level, lexical access: the nature of stored word-meanings, Sentence processing - The internal structure of the sentence level - Text and Discourse processing – speech errors as evidence of language production.

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Berko Gleason, J. & Bernstein Ratner, N. (1993), Ch.3, 4, 5 & 6.
 Clark, H. et.al., 1977. Ch. 2 & 5.
 Garman, M. 1990 Ch.4-7
 Harley, T.Ch – 6,8,10,11

Unit-V Applied Psycholinguistics

Aphasia and its clinical and linguistic classifications: Broca's aphasia Wernick's aphasia, conduction aphasia, Anomic aphasia, other cortical syndromes, sub cortical aphasia, Agrammatism, post-pubertal language acquisition, stuttering, Language in Schizophrenia - Language in Mental Retardation – language loss in ageing - Language in hearing impaired - Developmental dysphasia-Dementia-Disorders of the written words Dyslexia and Dysgraphia.

Reading List

Obler, L.K. et.al., 1999 Ch. 4-9.

Text Books

- 1) Beg, M. A. 1991. *Psycholinguistics and Language Acquisition*. New Delhi: Bahri Publications.
- 2) Berko Gleason, J. & Bernstein Ratner, N. 1993. *Psycholinguistics*. Harcourt Brace College Publishers.
- 3) Clark, H.H. and E.V. Clark. 1977. *Psychology and Language: An Introduction to Psycholinguistics*. New York: Harcourt Brace.
- 4) Cook, Vivian, 1991. *Second language learning and language teaching*. Arnold
- 5) Ellis, R. 1991. *The Study of Second Language Acquisition*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- 6) Ellis, R. 1994. *A Study of Language Acquisition*. Oxford.
- 7) Garman, M. 1990. *Psycholinguistics*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- 8) Harley, T. 2001. *Psychology of Language (From data to theory)*. Newyork: Taylor and Francis Inc.
- 9) Mitchell, R. and Myles, F. 1998. *Second language learning theories*. Cambridge.
- 10) Obler, L. & Gjerlow, K. 1999. *Language and the brain*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

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- 1) Fletcher, P and Garman, M. (eds.) 1979. *Studies in Language Acquisition*, Cambridge.
- 2) Hormann, Hans, 1970. *Psycholinguistics: An Introduction to Research & theory*. Berlin: Springs verlag.
- 3) James Deese, 1970. *Psycholinguistics*. Boston: Allen and Uniwin, Inc.
- 4) Menyuk, Paula, 1971. *The Acquisition and Development of language*. Prentice-Hall, Inc.
- 5) Peters, Ann M, 1983. *The Units of language Acquisition*. Cambridge.
- 6) Skinner B.F., 1957. *Verbal Behaviour*. New York: Apletion Century Crafts Inc.
- 7) Thirumalai, 1977. *Language Acquisition thought and Disorder*. Mysore.