

Jyoti Nivas College Autonomous
Department of English
B.A in English (Basic/Hons)
(Under NEP)
Syllabus for II Semester Discipline Core (DSC) – Paper III
Introduction to Phonetics and Linguistics
(October 2021 onwards)

Total Number of Hours: 45

Course Code:

Course Credits: 03

Formative Assessment Marks (Internal Assessment) – 40

Summative Assessment Marks (End Semester Exam) - 60

Teaching Objectives:

- To familiarise students with Language as a system of communication
- Understand the sounds and sound system of English
- Analyse the structure of the English language at various levels

Learning Outcomes:

- Ability to transcribe words and recognize transcribed words
- Understanding ‘stress’ in the English language
- Analyse structure at the level of word, clause and sentence
- Analyse a poem in terms of stylistic devices

Unit 1: Introduction to Language and Phonetics **9 Hours**

Chapter 1: Language - Nature, definitions, characteristic features
(difference between human and animal systems of communication)

Chapter 2: Phonetics and Phonology

The sounds of English and IPA symbols

Looking up a pronouncing dictionary - RP (Received Pronunciation)

Transcription and recognition of words

Structure of the syllable

Stress

Unit 2: Linguistics - I

21 Hours

Chapter 3: Morphology - Free and bound morphemes

Inflectional and derivational affixes

Chapter 4: Word formation - Coinage, Borrowing, Compounding, Blending, Clipping, Backformation, Conversion, Acronyms

Chapter 5: Syntax

Types of Clauses - Noun, Adjectival, Adverbial, Finite, Non-finite and Verbless

Types of sentences- Declarative, Interrogative, Exclamatory, Imperative

Chapter 6: Semantics - Lexical relations between words - Synonymy, Antonymy, Hyponymy, Homophony, Homonymy

Unit 3: Linguistics – II

15 Hours

Chapter 7: Stylistic Devices

Figures of Speech

Imagery

Sound Devices

Diction - Collocations, Archaisms, Poetic words, Jargon

Inversion, Parallelism, Antithesis

Paradox, Irony, Allusions, Symbols

Chapter 8: Stylistic analysis of poems
