Module Specification

Module Summary Information

1	Module Title	Language in Action
2	Module Credits	20
3	Module Level	4
4	Module Code	EGL4048

5	Module Overview

This module will introduce you to a number of advanced topics in contemporary linguistics and language studies, such as phonetics, grammar, and corpus linguistics. You will expand your knowledge of linguistic concepts and terminology and develop your ability to apply this knowledge in the analysis of real-life examples of spoken and written language in use. You will be introduced to the phonetic and grammatical characteristics of English and you will analyse these phenomena in context. The module will help you develop your skills in critical thinking, in analysing different forms of data, in identifying and synthesising information from a variety of sources, and in presenting your findings in a coherent and well-organised way.

You will develop your knowledge through a series of lectures, followed by seminars in which you will apply your understanding of the field through a range of practical activities. These might include: close readings of relevant texts, analysis of spoken and written data, forum posts, application of theoretical and contextual documents, and so on. Your formally taught sessions will be supported by pre-sessional learning activities delivered via Moodle and post-sessional reflection on the seminar's learning aims. Your wider independent learning will be characterised by the development of your creative and critical knowledge of the field which will be supported by the application and development of your research skills.

6	Indicative Content

This module will build on the foundational concepts, ideas and approaches in linguistics covered during the EGL4046 Foundations of Language. The module will cover intermediate concepts relating to grammar, phonetics, sociolinguistics, corpus linguistics. Academic writing skills are also embedded in the curriculum.

7	Module Learning Outcomes
	On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:
1	Demonstrate a detailed and critical understanding of advanced linguistic terminology, concepts and methodologies.
2	Apply your linguistic knowledge in the analysis of different genres and registers of language data.
3	Critically evaluate relevant scholarly literature and approaches in linguistic analysis.

8	Module Assessment			
Learning Outcome				
	Coursework	**Exam**		**In-Person**
1-3	**X**			

9	**Breakdown Learning and Teaching Activities**	
Learning Activities		**Hours**
Scheduled Learning (SL) includes lectures, practical classes and workshops, peer group learning, Graduate+, as specified in timetable		36
Directed Learning (DL) includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning, as directed on VLE		100
Private Study (PS) includes preparation for exams		64
Total Study Hours:		200