

Courses' Descriptions

Department of Foreign Languages, Translation & Interpreting



COURSE DESCRIPTION

1. GENERAL

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SCHOOL	HUMANITIES		
DEPARTMENT	FOREIGN LANGUAGES, TRANSLATION AND INTERPRETING		
LEVEL	Undergraduate		
COURSE CODE	YK-8000	SEMESTER	8 th
COURSE TITLE	Sociology of Translation		
INDEPENDENT TEACHING ACTIVITIES		WEEKLY TEACHING HOURS	ECTS
Lectures		2	6
COURSE CATEGORY	General Background		
COURSE TYPE	Compulsory		
PREREQUISITES	-		
LANGUAGE OF TEACHING AND EXAMINATIONS	Greek		
THE COURSE IS OFFERED TO ERASMUS STUDENTS			
URL	https://dflti.ionio.gr/en/undergraduate-studies/courses/yk-8000/		
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2. TEACHING RESULTS

Teaching Results

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

- understand the social and political dimensions of both the translators and their work
- understand the importance of translators and translations to the society
- · recognize the methods and strategies applied by translators in special political and social conditions
- understand the methods and strategies applied by translators in the working environment of the international media
- understand the methods and strategies applied by translators in the working environment of the international organizations
- understand the methods and strategies applied by translators in conditions of conflict and war
- understand the notion of cultural and national identity as it is reflected in literary and cultural texts

General Skills

- · Work in international environment
- Work in interdisciplinary environment
- · Production of new research ideas
- · Respect for diversity
- · Freedom of thought

3. CONTENT

The importance of the translators and the products of their work for the societies wherein they live and work. Brief historical overview of the role of translators and their translations. The place of translators and translation within the modern globalized digitalized environment. The role of translation in the social integration of minorities in host environments. The role of translation in the context of refugees and immigrants. Translation and the roles of translators in conflict situations. Modern forms of censorship and their influence on the working conditions of translators. The position of translation and translators in the international organizations. Translation as a means of preserving national identity and linguistic diversity. Translation as a means of preserving and promoting national identity.

Week 1: Introduction to the concept and content of the Sociology of Translation.

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- Week 2: Historical overview of the role of translators: translators as creators of alphabets and national languages.
- **Week 3:** Historical overview o the role of translators: translation as a means of preserving and disseminating knowledge and as a creator of national literatures.
- **Week 4:** Globalization and translation: neo-Babelism and the neoliberal vision of a monolingual world society and translation as a means of resisting global, cultural, and linguistic homogenization
- **Week 5:** Translation as an element of intercultural identity in modern multilingual environments through intercultural writing.
- Week 6: Translation and conflict: the case of the former Yugoslavia and Iraq.
- Week 7: Translation as positive or negative mediation in international news agencies.
- **Week 8:** Translation and open society: micro-cosmopolitanism as a form of local resistance to neoliberal cosmopolitanism and essentialist nationalism.
- **Week 9:** Translation and migration: translation assimilation and translation integration as a means of integrating ethnic-linguistic minorities into their host environments.
- Week 10: Translation and identity: the role of translation in intercultural and multicultural societies.
- **Week 11:** Foreignizing and domesticating Translation: The Conflict of the Local with the Global through the translation of literature in the world capitalist centers.
- Week 12: Translation ethics: is the translator a neutral mediator or an active mediator?
- Week 13: Ideology, censorship, and translation: relationships and interactions.

4. TEACHING AND LEARNING METHODS - EVALUATION

F. TEACHING AND LEARNING METHODS - EVALUATION				
TEACHING METHOD	Face to face			
USE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES				
TEACHING STRUCTURE	Activity Lectures Literature Study and Analysis Practice and Preparation Course Total (ECTS: 6)	Semester Workload 26 43 81 150		
EVALUATION OF STUDENTS	The students are evaluated through written examinations at the end of the semester. They are required to answer two out of three questions and can use all the material delivered throughout the semester.			

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