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Post-Graduate Studies: Ph,D. Programme for *Advanced Syntax*  (2022-2023)

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1. Preliminaries: Grammar, Types of Grammar, Evolution of Grammatical Theories…
2. Case:
3. Manifestations of Case (case forms & case inflections)

Inflectional Case

Concordial Case

Case on Non-Nouns

Vocative Case

Ungoverned Case

Analytic Case Markers

1. Competing Mechanisms

Head Marking

Word Order

Adverbs and Relator Nouns

Possessive Adjectives

1. Grammatical Relations:

+ Grammatical Relations versus Semantic Roles

Properties of Grammatical Relations

… Coding Properties

.…Behavioral Properties (Subject, Direct Object, Indirect Object)

1. Dependency Relations:

Syntactic dependence

Types of Dependencies

Valence

Coding

1. Syntagmatic and Paradigmatic Relations in Syntax:

Syntagmatic Relations of Dependencies and Exclusion

Word Order and Grammatical Markers

…Noun Phrases in English

.…Prepositional Phrases in English

…Genitive Constructions in English

…Sentence Constituents in English

Linkage

1. Processes and Participants

1. Subjects, Objects, Complements and Adjuncts
2. Theme, Rheme, and End Focus;

Topic and Comment;

Given and New

1. Focus, Theme, and Emphasis:

End-focus and Contrastive focus

Contrastive focus on words and syllables

Focus on the operator

Voice, end-focus, and end-weight

Converses

Thematic fronting or ‘marked theme’

Cleft and pseudo-cleft sentences

1. Syntax as a Cognitive Science

Modeling Syntax

Syntax as Science- the Scientific Method

Where Do the Rules Come from?

1. Other Grammatical Theories:

Relational Grammar

Lexical Functional Grammar

Government Binding Theory

Role and Reference Grammar

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