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***Bilingualism as language contact:
the view from psycholinguistics and formal linguistics***

Objective. The objective of this two-week-long seminar is to provide students with a sound basis for the formal analysis of language-contact data. In this seminar we will present recent formal proposals to account for the analysis of linguistic data from simultaneous and sequential bilinguals. The specific aim is to examine learnability issues that are at the core of psycholinguistic and formal analyses of language contact situations (or data).

Content. The seminar will cover issues related to formal linguistic proposals and analyses on specific grammatical categories and structures as well as those related to the analysis of language-contact data. No previous knowledge of acquisition or data analysis will be assumed since we will ensure that the students are given the basic tools to follow the descriptive and theoretical issues and to manipulate and analyze the data. Approximately equal amounts of attention will be dedicated to theoretical considerations and empirical data analyses.

Structure. The core of the seminar will consist of two different but related topics (one per week).

TOPIC 1. The representation and processing of formal features in the mind of the bilingual: the view from code-switching data

TOPIC 2. Teaching/Learning an artificial language to investigate potential differences between child and adult language acquisition... and beyond.

The students will have to participate in the discussions as well as in the data analyses. Consultation hours will also be held every week for students who have specific questions they want to discuss individually.

	May 22 2018	May 23 2018	May 29 2018	May 30 2018
course schedule	11-13h	9-11h	11-13h	9-11h
consultation hours (by appointment)	13-14h	11-12h	13-14h	11-12h

*all sessions, except for the first one (May 22), will take place at the seminar in the English Department (3rd floor, FyL); on May 22 the course will take place at the *sala de juntas* (2nd floor, FyL)

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