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Autumn Workshop on British and American Studies 2024

Friday 29 November 2024 9:00–12:00

TBU Educational Complex Štefánikova 5670, Zlín, building U18B, room 311

Participants will receive a certificate.

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Mgr. Dagmar Masár Machová, Ph.D.

How Many Tenses are there in English? Compositionality of Tense and Aspect Categories in Meaning and Form

Teaching the tense system in English poses significant challenges in EFL classes. Traditional course books are based on a 12-tense model; however, the "12 tenses" are essentially combinations of three tenses (present, past, and future) and two aspects (perfective and progressive). This presentation argues that distinguishing between tense and aspect categories - both in terms of meaning and morphology - can effectively reduce students' cognitive load. This approach not only fosters a deeper understanding of English grammar but also serves as a powerful motivational tool for students of English.

PhDr. Katarína Nemčoková, Ph.D.

Translation and Translation Tools: Where People Win over Computers (and Vice Versa)

The workshop offers a brief overview of tech tools we can use to translate, from basic dictionaries to online translators and corpora. Each tool will be introduced in a practical way, and pluses and minuses will be discussed. The outcome is undeniable: human and machine translations are complementary and need to be used together.

Svitlana Shurma, M.A., Ph.D.

Language for Self-Presentation

Self-presentation is very important in one's career. Though according to psychological research it only takes a tenth of a second to form an impression of a stranger, verbal presentation of oneself is no less important. What language can help you present yourself better during a job interview, elevator pitch or presentation? We will focus on some of such language using various examples.