

Organising institution

Università degli Studi di Padova
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Partner Institutions

Potsdam University- Germany
Ecole Normale de Paris - France
Haifa University – Israel
Stanford University - USA
University of Colorado – USA
Harvard University - USA
Addis Ababa University - Ethiopia
Max Planck Institute Nijmegen – The Netherlands
University of Ilorin – Nigeria
Pontifical Catholic University of Chile- Chile
University of Maryland – USA
Concordia University – Canada
Michigan State University – USA
State University of Campinas – Brasil
University of Philippines Diliman – Philippines
Wits University – South Africa
Makerere University – Uganda
Nanyang Technological University – Singapore

Course Title and Description

Summer School on Language Acquisition to benefit the Global South

The aim of the Summer School is to promote the knowledge of language acquisition in different regions of the world. The Summer School will last five days and is organized into 4 didactic units to be developed each day. For each day and for each didactic unit (perception, vocabulary, syntax acquisition and social interaction) a recognized expert will give a lecture.

The programme also includes in-depth theoretical and methodological seminars in order to enrich each topic and to encourage the debate. Among the methodological topics different experiences in a variety of research activities are planned, among which the conduct of online experimental studies with children, the processing and the analysis of the Corpus Open Source data with the use of cutting-edge statistical software and support in the planning of the study. The activities will be exclusively virtual with a mixture of synchronous and asynchronous events, in order to promote the attendance of the students in the different time zones.

At the end of the summer school, students will have acquired knowledge of the current theories and controversies and will have learnt basic experimental methods to develop their studies, according to current scientific standards.

Period

16/08/2021 – 28/08/2021

ETCS credits

N/A

Course fee

N/A

Course Level

Students enrolled in the first, second and third cycle degree courses in psychology, psycholinguistics or linguistics as well as young researchers from the partner universities and from developing countries of the Sub-Saharan Africa, South-East Asia and South America. Motivated students from other faculties, universities or regions of the world will also be able to attend.