

National Research Mordovia State University (MRSU)	
Faculty of Foreign Languages	
S Y L L A B U S	
Course Name	History of the English Language
Degree Programme	Linguistics (Track “Translation and Translation Studies”)
Year of Study	3 year
Semester	Autumn
ECTS (36 hrs per ECTS)	4 (144 hrs)
Instructor(s)	Prof. Serafima Panfilova , Associate Professor, Department of English Philology, Faculty of Foreign Languages
Language of Instruction	Russian
Course Requirements	Previously studied courses "Introduction to Linguistics", "Ancient Languages and Cultures", "Country Studies (UK, USA)"
Course Overview	The course is intended for undergraduate students interested in the study of the evolution of the English language. The required level of English is up from B2.
Learning Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Define the stages of the evolution of the English language; • Review the historical background and written sources of each stage of the evolution of the English language; • Explain the features of spelling, pronunciation, grammar of the modern English by doing a historical analysis; • Plan and implement the results of the historical analysis in teaching English to various types of learners.
Course unit contents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Old English. Weeks 1-8. The History of English Timeline. Prehistoric Britain. Roman invasion. Anglo-Saxon Invasion. Scandinavian Invasion. Dialects. Old English Written Sources and Documents. Old English Phonetic System. Old English Orthography and Morphology. Old English Vocabulary and Word Formation. • Middle English. Weeks 9-14. Middle English Timeline. Norman Conquest. French Influence. Dialects. Middle English Written Sources and Documents. Middle English Phonetic System. Middle English Orthography and Morphology. Middle English Vocabulary and Word Formation. • Early Modern English. Weeks 15-18. Early Modern English Timeline. Absolute Monarchy and Unification of Britain. Dialects. Dictionaries and Grammars. Printing Press and Standardization of Spelling. Early Modern English Changes in Pronunciation. Early Modern English Morphology. Early Modern English Vocabulary and Word Formation.
Course Structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total number of contact hours: 57 Lectures: 18 hrs (9 lectures) Seminars: 36 hrs (18 seminars)

	Individual consultations: 1 hr Group consultations: 2 hrs • Self-study: 51 hrs
Teaching methods	Interactive lectures, cooperative learning, flipped classroom.
Grading System (including segment percentage)	Oral Q&A sessions on lectures content (10%) Oral historical analysis of phonetics, spelling, grammar (50%) Written etymological analysis (10%) Final online test (pass-fail) (10%) Final oral test (pass-fail) (20%)
Textbooks and Mandatory Reading	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Viney B. The History of the English Language. – Oxford; Oxford University Press, 2008. – 88 p. • Аракин, В. Д. История английского языка: Учеб. пособие / под ред. М. Д. Резвещовой. – 3-е изд., испр. – М.: ФИЗМАТЛИТ, 2009. – 304 с. • Смирницкий А. И. Хрестоматия по истории английского языка с VII по XVII в. с грамматическими таблицами и историческим и этимологическим словарем. – 4-е изд. – М.: Издательский центр «Академия», 2007. – 304 с. • Трофимова Ю. М. Методические указания к семинарским занятиям по истории английского языка. – Саранск: Изд-во Мордов. гос. пед. ин-та, 2015. – 37 с.

Grading system		
Grade	No. of points	Description
5	86-91	Excellent
4	71-85	Good
3	51 - 70	Satisfactory
2	Below 51 point	Fail