

Objectives:

- To familiarize students with the wide range of approaches, methods, techniques and critical research on English Language Learning and Teaching
- To enhance learner centric teaching techniques
- To enable learners to critically analyse language theories and methods
- To orient learners in the practical application of ELT

UNIT I

Theories of Second Language Acquisition

- Understanding second language acquisition - Introduction
- Nativist Theories and Input based Theories - Chomsky and Stephen Krashen
- Environmental Theories
- Interactionist Theories

UNIT II

Approaches and Methods in Language Teaching:

- Major language trends in twentieth century language teaching
- Alternative approaches and methods
- Current communicative approaches
- Post methods Era

UNIT III

Second Language Learning and Language Teaching

- Background to second language acquisition research and language teaching
- The goals of language teaching
- Second language learning and language teaching styles

UNIT IV

Research Methods in Language Learning

- An introduction to research methods and tradition
- The experimental method
- Classroom observation and research
- Elicitation techniques
- Doing research

UNIT V

Practical English Language Teaching and Testing & Teaching English through Technology

- Teaching listening, speaking, reading and writing & vocabulary

- Framing language syllabus – types of syllabus design
- Testing, evaluation and assessment in English language classrooms
- Managing teaching through virtual learning environment

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