**COURSE OBJECTIVES:**

The aim of the course is to aid the students in producing their BA dissertations. We guide the students through the stages of preparing their research projects: from selecting the topic, through theoretical research and examining data to producing the diploma paper. Their investigations are couched in a pre-defined theoretical approach, and involve students in conducting their own (small-scale) research. The final paper does not simply include the presentation of the appropriate theoretical background, but also students’ own analyses of the selected research material. In their research they are constantly guided and supported by their supervisors. In the Department of English Linguistics it is common practice that students are encouraged to confer and consult their problems with other lecturers and frequently obtain invaluable assistance from them.

**COURSE PLAN for semester 1**

* Introduction and requirements
* Research hints, potential topics
* Referencing – basic info
* Paper plan – how to
* Students’ reports
* Discussing paper plans
* Submitting the plan with selected bibliography
* Supervisor’s feedback

**COURSE PLAN for semester 2**

* Introduction and semester requirements.
* Setting up the deadlines.
* Introduction to formal aspects of writing BA theses ([Instytut Filologii Angielskiej | Praca Dyplomowa (up.krakow.pl)](https://anglistyka.up.krakow.pl/praca-dyplomowa/" \t "_blank))
* Students’ presentations of BA thesis excerpts of their own choice, with class presentation, handouts and follow-up discussion
* Submission of sub- and full chapters of BA theses by seminar students in compliance with the deadlines.
* The supervisor’s feedback.
* Submission of the entire BA theses by seminar students.