

SwissUniversities Doctoral Programme
Language & Cognition
Module: The Pragmatics of Lying

WHAT

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From the early days of pragmatics, lies have been a hot topic in studies on meaning in use. Grice, for instance, had used lying to illustrate a form of verbal communication that violates a conversational maxim in a covert way. Where do we stand today?

In this workshop, we will investigate the new insights that recent pragmatic approaches have brought in the formalisation and analysis of discourse processes that involve lying. This workshop will be of interest to researchers working in pragmatics, semantics, and philosophy of language, obviously, while the discussion of empirical methodologies associated with this line of investigation will also appeal to psycholinguists, and cognitive scientists.

In this workshop we will benefit from the expertise of two leading experts in the field, **Prof. Jörg Meibauer (Universität Mainz, Germany)** and **Prof. Marina Terkourafi (Universiteit Leiden, Netherlands)**. Both scholars recently made very interesting forays into a new pragmatic approach of lies, extending the notion to cover implicit meaning, and the socio-pragmatic aspects of lies, respectively.

Throughout this workshop we will look at the experimental methodologies used in the field. Participants will have the opportunity to present and discuss issues raised by their own research projects and designs.

WHO

Prof. Jörg Meibauer (Mainz Universität, Germany)

Prof. Marina Terkourafi (Universiteit Leiden, Netherlands)

WHEN

The module will take place on two half-days Thursday 20 December 2018.

WHERE

This module is offered at the University of Fribourg and hosted by the PragLab research team. Venue: University of Fribourg, MIS08 room 0101 / Espace Güggi.

Registration

15 doctoral students can take part in this module. The registration deadline is on **18 December 2018**. The programme reimburses travel expenses as well as meals and a fixed hotel rate of 90CHF/night for participants affiliated with a Swiss university. A few places are also available for post-docs and senior scholars.

This workshop can be used towards obtaining course credits.

In order to register, doctoral students should contact the coordinator at heidi.aro@unifr.ch.

Contact

All practical and administrative questions should be addressed to the programme coordinator, Mrs Heidi Aro, at heidi.aro@unifr.ch

More information (incl. schedule) can be found here:

<https://www3.unifr.ch/english/en/studies/phd/doctoral-programme-language-and-cognition/>

Organisation

The SwissUniversities doctoral programme *Language & Cognition* is organised by the University of Fribourg with the collaboration of the University of Bern and the University of Neuchâtel.

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Thursday 20 December 2018 MIS08 room 0101 / Espace Güggi		
9h30-9h35	D. Maillat	Welcome and introduction
9h35-10h45	J. Meibauer	<i>The linguistics of lying</i>
10h45-11h15 Coffee Break		
11h15-12h30	All (main respondent: J. Meibauer)	Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Individual projects</i> - <i>Current debates on lying at the interface between semantics and pragmatics</i>
12h30-13h30 Lunch		
13h30-15h15	M. Terkourafi	<i>Lies, implicatures, and speech acts: an integrated approach</i>
15h15-15h45 Coffee Break		
15h45-17h00	All (main respondent: M. Terkourafi)	Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Individual projects</i> - <i>Experimental methodologies</i> - <i>Next steps in the pragmatics of lying</i>
19h00-21h00 Dinner		