Universidad de Alcalá

SPANISH LANGUAGE TEACHING FOR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS

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RESEARCH AREA

Technological Sciences, Human Sciences

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KEY WORDS

Language acquisition, Language learning, Communicative competence, Issues in language learning, Corpus linguistics, Spanish as a foreign language (SFL), School contexts

AIM

- Faculties and training centers for teachers and language teachers
- Faculties and Postgraduate courses for training Spanish teachers

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ABOUT US

This research team aims at developing the communicative competences of children and adolescents in their mother tongue as well as their foreign language in school contexts. On the one hand, research takes a multidisciplinary approach to both theory and methodology. On the other hand, it takes into account the observation and analysis of real language use in school contexts. In this way, language acquisition and learning processes beginning at an early age can be studied and made known

RESEARCH LINES

- Language acquisition.
- Language in children.
- The development of communicative competence.
- Mother tongue learning and teaching.
- Learning and teaching of Spanish as a foreign language.
- Issues in language learning and alterations of speech.
- Corpus linguistics.
- Contrastive linguistics and error analysis.
- Educational linguistics.
- Training of teachers of Spanish as a foreign language.
- The teaching of Social Sciences.

OFFERED SERVICES

- The making of language corpuses reflecting school contexts in Spanish.
- The realization of studies on language learning and acquisition, and on the development of communicative competence.
- The design of materials for the teaching of Spanish as a mother tongue.
- The design of materials for Spanish as a foreign language.
- The collection of bibliography and resources for teacher training.

MARKETABLE RESULTS