CURSO AVANÇADO (20 horas) Advanced Course (20 hours)

TIPOLOGIA FONOLÓGICA PHONOLOGICAL TYPOLOGY

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Typology as a sub-discipline of linguistic research has seen a notable revival in the last two decades. But still, it includes very different approaches, according to different theories. To start with, there is no uncontroversial agreement on the question whether typology deals with 'types' and what such types can be. The traditional 'European' approach proposes a concept of typology which aims at explaining the possibilities and limitations of grammatical structure. The pure study of cross-linguistic comparison (American approach) thus is not a satisfactory goal of typological research.

Phonology and typology are interrelated from different perspectives, both concerning phenomena and methodology. The proposals range from phonologyinternal to holistic approaches, from the discussion of possible explanations of recurrent sound patterns to a broader view which seeks to discover the origin of grammatical invariance in rhythmic patterns. Typology in a narrow sense can be seen as an intermediate level between universals and language specific characteristics, thus it must allow to interrelate properties systematically which co-occur in a given system. The course will aim at establishing a notion of phonological types, in the sense that phonologies are not

only different for presenting one or the other characteristic, but that phonologies may systematically differ with respect to process types, the impact of centrifugal vs. centripetal tendencies, of syllabic vs. accentual orientation etc.

A good overview over a wide range of approaches can be found in 'Linguistic Typology' 11.1 ('Whither linguistic typology -- an und für sich and in relation to other types of linguistic pursuits?').

Further reading material and texts for discussion will be provided at the beginning of the course.

Horário/*Timetable* 9h-13h

Língua de ensino/Tuition language
INGLÊS – ENGLISH
(com recurso ocasional ao francês, ao alemão, ao português e ao castelhano;
occasionally, French, German,
Portuguese and Spanish may be used as
well)

Preço e inscrição/Price and application

Professores e estudantes da FLUP, Membros do CLUP/*University of Porto Members*: Gratuito/*Free* Estudantes de pós-graduação de outras instituições/*Students*: 30 euros Público em geral/*Others*: 60 euros

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Programa e bibliografia

Contents and readings

1st day.- What is typology about?

Preliminary observations and remarks on the history and development of a discipline. Types, classes and groups. Classification in science. Establishing types.

Linguistic universals / typological invariance / individual form.

Exercise: The divergent picture of textbooks (comparing the current introductions into the field)

2nd day.- The typology of phonological units
Features, inventories, syllables, rhythmic groups, tones, intonational units
Exercise: The epistemological poverty of WALS: Discussion of the phonological maps

3rd day.- Types of phonologies Variance and invariance in phonology. Ways of explaining apparent structural divergence. Prosody, segmental phonology and typology. Paradigmatic and syntagmatic phonology Exercise: The study of individual phonologies in a typological perspective

4th day.- Diachrony, reconstruction and

typology The role of typology in linguistic research. Typology and historical linguistics. The explanatory and restrictive forces of typology.

Exercise: The study of single historical problems of diachrony and/or reconstruction under typological premises

5th day.- The interrelation of sound patterns and grammatical invariance Holistic approaches: possibilities and failures. Co-variation of morphological/syntactic form and sound patterns.

Exercise: Summing up

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Cf. various *Introductions to Linguistic Typology* by Comrie (1992/1993), Croft (1990/2003), Whaley (1997), and others similar.