**Introduction to Psycholinguistics**

This course offers a comprehensive introduction to psycholinguistics, exploring the relationship between language and the mind. Students will examine key research traditions, theoretical models, and experimental methods used to investigate language processing. Topics include the history of language and mind studies, language disorders, memory and language, language processing, as well as written and sign language. The course also addresses cognitive aspects of bilingualism and provides hands-on insight into experimental techniques, such as lexical decision tasks, priming, eye-tracking, and self-paced reading. By the end of the course, students will be able to critically evaluate psycholinguistic research and apply specialist terminology to describe mechanisms of language processing. Assessment is based on a written test taken in January. Knowledge of Polish is not required; the course is conducted entirely in English.

**Selected topics:**

1. History of psycholinguistics.
2. Language and mind: from the origins of psycholinguistics to current debates.
3. Language disorders in psycholinguistic research.
4. Experimental methods: lexical decision, priming, eye-tracking, self-paced reading.
5. Language and memory (working, semantic, episodic, procedural).
6. Processing in phonology, morphology, and the mental lexicon.
7. Semantics and pragmatics in language processing.
8. Cognitive foundations of bilingualism.