**Psycholinguistics: Core Concepts**

This course introduces students to the core issues in psycholinguistics, focusing on the relationship between language and the mind. It covers the history of psycholinguistic research, fundamental experimental methods (such as lexical decision tasks, priming, and eye-tracking), and key areas of language processing, including phonology, morphology, semantics, syntax, and pragmatics. Special attention is given to the role of memory in language and to the cognitive foundations of bilingualism. The course equips students with the ability to use specialist terminology and to critically interpret current psycholinguistic studies. Assessment is based on a written exam taken 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.