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Integrating RBT in students' projects

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Acquisition of English as a Second Language (course)

- Topic: the acquisition of English as a second language with a focus on experimental research into this phenomenon
- Level of the course: MA
- Workload: 3 ECTS
- Institution: University of Rijeka – Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences
- Course instructor: Tihana Kraš
- Period of piloting: February–July 2022

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- **Course structure:**
 1. An introduction into research design and research infrastructures and techniques
 2. In parallel:
 - Reading critically and discussing in class published research studies
 - Designing and conducting a small-scale experimental study in pairs
- **Assessment and evaluation:**
 - Test (30%)
 - Two oral presentations (20%)
 - Research report (50%)

Ten student projects in 2021–2022

- *Acquisition of the English article system in 5th grade students in elementary school*
- *Formulaic language and article use: A study*
- *Influence of L1 and L2 on word associations*
- *Frequency effects in second language word learning*
- *Lexical guessing in context in EFL reading comprehension*
- *Third-year English language and literature students' productive and receptive knowledge of collocations*
- *Understanding humor: A powerful tool in English SLA*
- *Differences between memorizing in L1 and L2*
- *Foreign language anxiety among English language students*
- *The influence of teachers' characteristics on Croatian EFL English major students' anxiety and enjoyment*