**Course Specification for Sociolinguistics**

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| Co**llege** | Zulfi College of Education |
| **Department** | English Language Department |
| **Course Name:** | Sociolinguistics | Course Code | ENG 417 |
| **Level** | 7  | Credit Hours | 3hrs. |
| **Course Objective**  | 1. To helps students to become aware of the constant interplay between language and society in both English-speaking as well as in societies that speak other languages.
2. To increases the students ‘awareness of the ways that language and social contexts interact.
3. To provide students with a broad overview of the field of sociolinguistics and introduce them to various approaches to the study of language in its social context.
4. To familiarize students with the principal concepts of sociolinguistics.
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| **Course Content** | Introducing the operational term related to Sociolinguistics |
| Chapter 1: What do sociolinguists study? |
| Chapter 2: Language choice in multilingual communities |
| Chapter 4: Linguistic varieties and multilingual nations |
| Chapter 6: Regional and social dialects |
| Chapter 8: Ethnicity and social network |
| Chapter 10: Style, context and register |
| Chapter 12: Gender, politeness and stereotypes |
| **Required Textbook** | Holmes, J. (2013). An Introduction to Sociolinguistics.4th ed |

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