Institute for Language and Communication

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Some projects carried out by IL&C

Do parents enable media literacy in their children’s online practices? Which role do they play in preventing cyberbullying?

Is immersion effective?

In a globalised context, mastering more than one language is an obvious advantage. A large-scale study compares a group of immersion students and a non-immersive group to understand the linguistic, pedagogical and cognitive aspects of this method during schooling.

Researchers collected 2 million Facebook and WhatsApp messages to study the orthographic, social and emotional skills of the population in contact with new media.

www.vospouces.org

“Adolescence, the factory of heroes”

How are MOOKS part of a long and complex history of resistance to dominant journalistic practices?

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Expertise

Language

Linguists study the functioning of written, spoken or gestural (sign language) forms of language. They also study how languages vary from one another, and how each language varies according to its contexts of use. This knowledge can be applied to language acquisition, among other things.

Communication

We analyse the evolution of forms of communication (based on image, sound, text, and their combination) and the role of mediated communication in the organisation of human institutions and societies.

Tools

Our researchers are studying technological habits to understand how they affect our ways of communicating, learning, working and learning and designing the technologies of tomorrow.

Speech

We access language through speech on the basis of concrete linguistic forms produced in a social, political, economic and media context. Speech is influenced by context, but can also modify it, and thus influence the world in its turn.

- Belgicisms
- Comparison between languages
- Electronic writing
- Verbal interactions
- Automatic search in texts

Language & Communication research units: Unite!
IL&C Institute for Language and Communication

- 30 academics
- 58 researchers on projects
- 38 defended doctoral theses in 5 years
- 110 projects in progress
- 2 research clusters
- 1 spin-off: EarlyTracks
- 2 digital technology platforms: MIIL and CENTAL
- 62 databases and corpora
- 83 publications in 2016 (7 books, 34 book chapters and 42 scientific articles)

1995 - 2015
The communication research centre RECOM recorded all RTBF and RTL-TVi evening news from 1995 until 2015.

A network of field actors
- Schools
- Companies
- Media
- Federal public services
- Nursing homes
- Language certification locations
- Media control bodies
- Political and administrative decision-making bodies
- Cultural environment (museums, exhibitions, gaming)

Resources for the general public
- Conferences
- Media experts
- International cooperation

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