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**Typology of tense, aspect, modality and evidentiality**
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This course takes as its point of departure the idea that systems of tense, aspect, modality, and evidentiality (TAME) are organized hierarchically, in the sense that there are scope relations between them that explain their combinatory possibilities, their ordering, and their grammaticalization. In developing this idea the course also offers a detailed overview of the distinctions that can be made within each of these categories. The course is organized as follows:

The first class centers on the general idea of a hierarchical organization of TAME categories. The second class focuses on tense and aspect, the third on modality, and the fourth on evidentiality. The last class brings all the categories together again by looking at the pathways of grammaticalization within TAME systems.

**Recommended readings**

*General*


*1st class*


*2nd class*


3rd class


4th class


Hengeveld, Kees & Dall'Aglio Hattnher, Marize Mattos (2015), Four types of evidentiality in the native languages of Brazil. *Linguistics* 53.3, 479-524

5th class

