

**Academic discipline:
“Belarusian dialectology”**

Code and name of specialty	1-02 03 01 Belarusian Language and Literature
Training course	1
Semester of training	2
Number of class hours:	56
Lectures	28
Seminar classes	-
Practical classes	28
Laboratory classes	-
Form of current assessment (credit/differential credit/exam)	exam
Number of credits	3
Competencies to be formed	To identify territorial features of the Belarusian national language in comparison with the literary language, to carry out their diachronic and linguogeographic interpretation.
Brief content of the academic discipline:	
<p>The course “Belarusian dialectology” occupies an important place in the training of a philologist. Firstly, dialectology helps to understand the ways of literary language formation, revealing the role of specific dialects in this process, which is especially important for the Belarusian literary language, which has developed directly on the basis of local dialects. Secondly, the study of relict linguistic phenomena that have been preserved in dialects to these days makes it possible to understand historical linguistic features and processes better. This contributes to students’ deeper assimilation of modern literary language, the history of literary language and historical grammar. In addition, knowledge of dialectology is necessary for a student – a future teacher – who will work in a dialect environment to help children in rural schools master the literary language, teach them to distinguish between the spheres of functioning of dialect and literary language varieties.</p>	