

**“Audiatur episcopus iubens...” (Serm. 196). A pragmalinguistical approach to Augustine’s *Sermones*.**

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The aim of this paper is to overview the preaching activity of Augustine of Hippo from a pragmalinguistical point of view. After making a brief analysis of the textual characteristics of his homiletical Corpus we will present some of the linguistical means that may help our understanding of the process of composition and delivering the Sermons. We will especially focus on the study of personal deixis and directiveness patterns.

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