ABSTRACT This paper will first present the major contributions of three authors who attempted to elaborate a science of language integrated in a general science of the human being: Voloshinov, the true founder of the modern trend of discourse analysis; the child’s psychologist Vygotski, who developed a theory of thinking and consciousness construction by internalization of the linguistic signs; Saussure whose real work proposes an unavoidable conception of the relations between discourse, personal language and social language. On theses basis, and having presented the research program of socio-discursive interactionism, we will discuss some possible reorientations of that program inspired by the proposals of these three authors, concerning on the one hand the general schema of the interactions between linguistic, psychological and sociological levels in human functioning, on the other hand the role played by linguistic processes in adult’s development.

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