

## **Course syllabus for Foreign Language Acquisition and Communication I**

**Term 3 2024**

### **I. General information**

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Text: Book chapters & journal papers

Class time: Monday 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> periods (12:50 - 14:20)

Classroom: K202

Office hours: Monday 10:30 – 11:30 or appointment

### **II. Course objectives**

1. You will be aware that multiple factors influence the process of second language (L2) learning, leading to individual differences.
2. You will learn that second language acquisition (SLA) research attempts to account for L2 learning/acquisition phenomena based on theoretical frameworks.
3. You will be able to observe and interpret your own L2 learning process through objective and scientific lens in daily life.

### **III. Notes for class**

1. You are expected to come to a class with all assignments done. You may not be able to fully attend the class otherwise.
2. Any late assignments will not be accepted unless you have valid/unavoidable reasons.
3. A final grade is not negotiable: no extra work and assignment to adjust or change your grade will be made.
4. Contact me if you have questions and/or concerns about the course contents and the class assignments.

### **IV. Grading schema (subject to change)**

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| 1. Class contribution             | 10%* |
| 2. Assignments & class reflection | 40%* |
| 3. Take-home exam                 | 50%  |

\* Note that the allocation differs from the syllabus posted on Momiji.

*Note.* The grading schema may change depending on the progress of the class. You will be notified beforehand in that case.