# LING 101.03: INTRODUCTION TO LANGUAGE AND LINGUISTICS.

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**Time: MMWW 5656** 

At Zoom: Link to be shared on Moodle

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## **Course description**

Linguistics is the study of human language, its scientific and systematic foundations. This course aims at introducing the basic principles and concepts in Linguistics. In this course, we will be exploring what it means to know a language in terms of its structure. We will study the articulation and interaction of speech sounds, the formation of words, the structure of phrases and sentences, and the computation of sentence meaning and the meaning relations between words and sentences.

## **Course materials**

Textbook: Fromkin, A.V., R. Rodman & N. Hyams. (2014). An Introduction to Language. Harcourt Brace College Publishers. (10th edition).

\*\*\*Read the assigned pages before class.

### Moodle

Make sure e-mails to your boun address reach you regularly since notifications in Moodle can only be sent to "boun" addresses.

- Handouts are posted before class on Moodle.
- Announcements will be posted on Moodle.
- You will take your quizzes on Moodle.
- I will upload the Zoom link for class on Moodle.

## **Participation**

I will take attendance in class. You are also responsible to actively participate in class discussion. If I don't get to know about your in-class performance, you won't get a participation grade.

Grading	Grad	Grading breakdown	
Participation 13 points	F	0 - 59	
5 Quizzes, 75 points in total	DD	60 - 64	
-Quiz 1, 15 points	DC	65 - 69	
-Quiz 2, 15 points	CC	70 - 74	
-Quiz 3, 15 points	CB	75 - 79	
-Quiz 4, 15 points	BB	80 - 84	
-Quiz 5, 15 points	BA	85 - 89	
4 assignments	AA	90 - 100	
Each assignment is 3 points, 12 points in total			

Follow the colors carefully.

Assignments

Problem sessions

Quizzes

#### Week 1

Wednesday, October 6, Introduction, Readings: Chapter 1 (pages 1-14)

## Week 2

Monday, October 11, Introduction, Readings: Chapter 1 (pages 15-27) Wednesday, October 13, Phonetics, Readings: Chapter 5 (pages 189-195)

## Week 3

Monday, October 18, Phonetics, Readings: Chapter 5 (pages 189-195) Wednesday, October 20, Phonetics, Readings: Chapter 5 (pages 195-204)

## Week 4

Monday, October 25, Phonetics, Readings: Chapter 5 (pages 205-209)

Wednesday, October 27, Phonetics Problem Session

Wednesday, October 27, \*\*Assignment 1 is assigned. Take your assignment on Moodle.

#### Week 5

Monday, November 1, \*\*Assignment 1 is due by class time.

Quiz 1: Monday, November 1, at class time. The quiz will include Chapter 1 (Introduction) and Chapter 5 (Phonetics). You will take the Quiz on Moodle. You need to come to the Zoom room as well. I will take online attendance.

Wednesday, November 3, Phonology, Readings: Chapter 6 (pages 230-235, 238-239,)

#### Week 6

Monday, November 8, Phonology, Readings: Chapter 6 (pages 241-251)

Wednesday, November 10, Phonology, Readings: Chapter 6 (pages 260-265)

Wednesday, November 10, \*\*Assignment 2 is assigned. Take your assignment on Moodle.

#### Week 7

Monday, November 15, \*\*Assignment 2 is due by class time.

Monday, November 15, Phonology, Problem Session. Solve the homework and do more exercises.

Wednesday, November 17, Quiz 2 at class-time. The quiz will include Chapter 6 (Phonology). You will take the Quiz on Moodle. You need to come to the Zoom room as well. I will take online attendance.

## Week 8

Monday, November 22, Morphology, Readings: Chapter 2 (pages 33-46) Wednesday, November 24, Morphology, Readings: Chapter 2 (pages 33-46)

## Week 9

Monday, November 29, Morphology, Readings: Chapter 2 (pages 49-52, 57-66)

Wednesday, December 1, Morpho-phonology Readings: Chapter 6 (pages 224-229)

Wednesday, December 1, \*\*Assignment 3 is assigned. Take your assignment on Moodle.

#### Week 10

Monday, December 6, \*\*Assignment 3 is due by class time.

Monday, December 6, Problem Session. Solve the homework and do more exercises.

Wednesday, December 8, Quiz 3 at class-time. The quiz will include Chapter 2 (Morphology). You will take the Quiz on Moodle. You need to come to the Zoom room as well. I will take online attendance.

#### Week 11

Monday, December 13, Syntax, Readings: Chapter 3 (pages 76-87) Wednesday, December 15, Syntax, Readings: Chapter 3 (pages 87-99)

## Week 12

Monday, December 20, Syntax, Readings: Chapter 3 (pages 100-109)

Wednesday, December 22, Syntax, cont.

Wednesday, December 22, \*\*Assignment 4 is assigned. Take your assignment on Moodle.

## Week 13

Monday, December 27, \*\*Assignment 4 is due.

Monday, December 29, Problem Session. Solve the homework and do more exercises.

Wednesday, December 29, Quiz 4 at class time. The quiz will include Chapter 3 (Syntax). You will take the Quiz on Moodle. You need to come to the Zoom room as well. I will take online attendance.

Wednesday, December 29, Semantics, Chapter 4.

#### Week 14

Monday, January 3, Semantics, Chapter 4 cont.

Quiz 5. TBA. It will be during the Official Final Date. The quiz will include Chapter 4 (Semantics). You will take the Quiz on Moodle. You need to come to the Zoom room as well. I will take online attendance.

**Useful website:** <a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/thelingspace">https://www.youtube.com/user/thelingspace</a>

## **Some Ted Talks:**

https://www.ted.com/talks/michael corballis evolution s great mystery language https://www.ted.com/talks/mia nacamulli the benefits of a bilingual brain https://www.ted.com/talks/patricia kuhl the linguistic genius of babies

I wish you all a healthy and happy semester!