Linguistics 4040 Phonetics and Phonology         Spring 2016

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Course Description

The aim of this course is to provide the students with the basic concepts as well as practical skills and the conceptual framework in phonetics and phonology. We will talk about the production and perception of speech sounds, and discuss their physiological and acoustic aspects. We will learn the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA) and the transcription of speech sounds used for different languages of the world.

Please refer to the course schedule for important dates and specific topics to be covered during the course.

Grading Policy

Attendance.....10%
Quizzes... ......20%
Tests...... ......60%

Quizzes and Tests:
Students will be graded for a total of 4 out of 5 quizzes and two tests (mid-term and final, each worth 30%).

Attendance and Participation:
Student attendance and participation in class is very important. Regular and consistent attendance is **required** to earn full credit for the course. **DO NOT** miss a class unless you have a genuine excuse to do so. Unexcused absences will be penalized. If you have 3-7 unexcused absences, your grade will be lowered by one letter grade. If you have 8 or more unexcused absences, you will receive an F. I generally notice students who come to class and nap, read rather than listen to the lecture, surf the web on their laptop, and so forth. Your grades will be affected by your attendance record and by how you conduct yourself in the class. The students, who have few absences, come to class prepared and contribute regularly to discussion and in-class problem solving will be awarded full credit.

**Important:** Please **switch off** your cell phone or other electronic devices before class starts.

**Textbook**

**Other Suggested Readings and References**

   Website: [http://linguistics.berkeley.edu/acip](http://linguistics.berkeley.edu/acip)

COURSE SCHEDULE

Week 1: Jan 19-21 Introduction, Sound Production System......... Read Chapter 1

Week 2: Jan 26-28 Basics of Articulation. Read Chapter 2

Week 3: Feb. 2-4 Consonants and Consonantal System. Read Chapter 3
  *Feb. 2: Quiz #1

Week 4: Feb. 9-11 Vowels and Vocalic System. Read Chapter 4

Week 5: Feb 16-18 Sounds – Anatomy and Physiology. Read Chapter 5

Week 6: Feb 23-25 (Contd.)
  *Feb. 23: Quiz #2

Week 7: Mar. 1-3 Sounds – Physical Properties. Read Chapter 6

Week 8: Mar 8-10 Review and Test 1
  *March 10 TEST 1
  (March 14-20 SPRING BREAK)

Week 9: Mar 22-24... Speech Perception. Read Chapter 9

Week 10: Mar 29-31. Phonology 1 – Phonemes and Allophones. Read Chapter 10
  *March 29: Quiz# 3

Week 11: Apr. 5-7...(Contd.)

Week 12: Apr. 12-14. Phonology 2 – Phonotactics and Sound Changes. Read Chapter 11
  *April 12: Quiz #4

Week 13: Apr 19-21... Phonology 3: Distinctive Features. Read Chapter 12

Week 14: Apr. 26-28...(Contd.)
  *April 26: Quiz #5

Week 15: May 3-5....Wind up and Review for Test 2

May 10: TEST 2

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IMPORTANT:

I. The Linguistics Program at UNT cooperates with the Office of Disability Accommodation to make reasonable accommodations for qualified students with disabilities. If you have a disability, which requires accommodation under the terms of the Americans with Disabilities Act or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, please provide your request by email within the first week of class.
II. EACH STUDENT IS EXPECTED TO DO HIS OR HER OWN WORK. Plagiarism and cheating - academic dishonesty - are serious offenses and will not be tolerated in this class. STUDENTS WHO PLAGIARIZE OR CHEAT WILL BE REFERRED TO THE OFFICE OF STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES AND WILL RECEIVE A FAILING GRADE IN THE CLASS. For more information on the university's policy on academic dishonesty please consult the UNT Code of Student Conduct and Discipline at [http://www.unt.edu/catalogs/2004-05/upolicies.html](http://www.unt.edu/catalogs/2004-05/upolicies.html).