Linguistics 20: Introduction to Linguistics  
(Fall 2012)

October 1st 2012

Time and place:    
Mondays & Wednesdays 2–3:50, Haines 118

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B: Thu. 2–2:50, MS 3915A  
C: Thu. 3–3:50, MS 5233  
D: Thu. 4–4:50, MOORE 1003  
F: Fri. 9–9:50, HAINES A6  
A: Thu. 1–1:50, PUBAFF 1264  
E: Fri. 9–9:50, ROLFE 3129

Course Policies

- Class Material:  
  - There is no required textbook, I will post reading material and class handouts on CCLE (https://ccle.ucla.edu/).  
  - The chapters on morphology, phonetics, phonology and to some extent syntax from William O’Grady et al. Contemporary Linguistics are useful supplementary reading. This book is also a good source of practice exercises. The library has copies, it is not worth buying for this class.
• **Getting Credit:**

  Final: 30% (Wednesday, December 12, 11:30–2:20)
  Midterm: 20% (Monday, November 5, during the regular class time)
  Homework: 40% (7 in total)
  In class quizzes 10%

  – The midterm and final are cumulative.
  – Attendance is not taken.

• **Homework Assignments:**

  – There will be 7, usually due on Mondays, and posted (on the CCLE site) the Wednesday the week before. See the syllabus below for the dates.
  – Homework assignments are handed in in hardcopy after the lecture the day they are due. There will be boxes with your TA’s names on them in the class room where you will place them. If you do want to hand in your homework digitally, please talk to your TA for arrangements.
  – You will most likely write your homework by hand, please write legibly. What we can’t read, we can’t grade.
  – If you have to miss class the day the homework is due, you have to hand it in earlier.
  – You are not allowed to collaborate on homework assignments.
  – Please feel free to come to your TA’s or my office hours to discuss homework.
  – Grades are posted on CCLE as they become available.

• **Late Homework Policy:**

  * If you cannot hand in the homework on time, you have to give your TA notice (e-mail, written notice to their mail box, talk to your TA) of this no later than the beginning of class time on the day the assignment is due. Late homework has to be handed in at the next class after the original due date.
  * Our mailboxes are in the Linguistics Department Main Office in Campbell Hall 3125, open from 8AM–5PM. The mailboxes are in the back of the office on the right. The box outside the office is not an assignment drop box. If you put a late notice for a homework assignment or a late assignment into our mailboxes, please ask the office staff to time stamp it.
  * You are not allowed to hand in your homework late more than twice.
  * You can hand in homework late for any reason.
  * If you have to hand in homework late more that twice due to medical reasons, please talk to your TA.
  * Unannounced late homework will not be graded.

• **In class quizzes:**

  – Small quizzes at the beginning of class.
– They will be handed out in the beginning of class, collected and returned to you in the next discussion section.
– They will be frequent, but not in every section.
– You are not allowed to collaborate on in class quizzes.

**Extra credit:**
– Extra credit can be earned by participating in experiments run by the Psychology Department.
– Participating in one experiment is worth 2% of overall course credit.
– You can participate in no more than two experiments to get extra credit.
– You can participate in any of the experiments even if your native language is not English.
– For information on how to sign up for experiments, see last section of the syllabus.

**Office hours:** The office hours are there to provide extra help. If you had to miss class, or feel lost in class, office hours are the place to get help with catching up. Office hours are also the venue to get help with homework assignments.
– Dustin Bowers: Friday 2:30–4:30, Campbell Hall 2209
– Joe Buffington: Thursday 1–3, Campbell Hall 3125C
– Ivan Kapitono: Thursday 11-1, Campbell Hall 3103C (aka. Syntax Lounge)
– Martin Walkow: Thursday 3–5, Campbell Hall 3122B.

If you cannot attend the office hours of either your TA or myself, please talk to us to set up an alternate meeting time.

**If you have an officially recognized disability,** please let me know immediately and have the Office for Students with Disabilities contact me.

**Classroom Policies:**
– Do not use your cell phone in class.
– Come to class on time.
– Everyone is expected to behave civilly.

Refer to the UCLA Student Conduct Code ([http://www.deanofstudents.ucla.edu/assets/documents/StudentCC.pdf](http://www.deanofstudents.ucla.edu/assets/documents/StudentCC.pdf)) for specifics.

**Communication:** Outside of class, the main means by which we will communicate with you will be e-mail. You will have to check your e-mail regularly.

**Doing Well:**
– Pay attention to class, and attend always.
– Do the homework. It’s good practice for the exams and having good grades on the homework provides a buffer against problems on the exams.

– There will be study guides for exams and practice sessions.

– Extra Help: Come to our office hours, e-mail your TA or me, talk to your TA or me after class. Talking for five minutes can clean up a lot of confusion.

Do not: ask your friend who took Ling20 last year or your friend who is taking Ling20 with another teacher. Every instructor teaches Ling 20 a bit differently and nobody teaches it the same way twice in a row. If you do ask people who have taken the class before or who are taking it with other instructors, be very careful and don’t just copy what they tell you.

• Note to potential Linguistics majors/minors: A B- or better is required for any student trying to add the major or minor. For any questions about adding the major, please get in touch with Matthew Swanson (MSwanson@humnet.ucla.edu).

**Academic Honesty**

The following material is taken from the UCLA Student Conduct Code (http://www.deanofstudents.ucla.edu/assets/documents/StudentCC.pdf) and the Student Guide to Academic Integrity (http://www.studentgroups.ucla.edu/dos/assets/documents/StudentGuide.pdf). Consult these sources for more detail on procedures and possible sanctions.

Students may be disciplined for violations or attempted violations (including aiding, abetting, or participating in the planning of an act that would be in violation of this Code, whether or not the individual who carries out that act is a student). Violations include the following types of misconduct:

* Cheating – the failure to observe the expressed procedures of an academic exercise, including but not limited to:
  – Unauthorized acquisition of knowledge of an examination or part of an examination
  – Allowing another person to take a quiz, exam, or similar evaluation for you
  – Using unauthorized materials, information, or study aids in any academic exercise or examination – textbook, notes, formula list, calculator, etc.
  – Unauthorized collaboration in providing or requesting assistance, such as sharing information on an academic exercise
  – Unauthorized use of another person’s data in completing a computer exercise
  – Altering a graded exam or assignment and requesting that it be regraded

* Facilitating Academic Dishonesty – participating in any action that compromises the integrity of the academic standards of the University; assisting another to commit an act of academic dishonesty, including but not limited to:
  – Taking a quiz, exam, or similar evaluation in place of another person
- Allowing another student to copy from you
- Providing material or other information to another student with knowledge that such assistance could be used in any of the violations stated above (e.g. giving test information to students in other discussion sections of the same course)

- Plagiarism – the presentation of another’s words or ideas as if they were one’s own, including but not limited to:
  - Submitting, as your own, through purchase or otherwise, part of or an entire work produced verbatim by someone else
  - Paraphrasing ideas, data, or writing without properly acknowledging the source
  - Unauthorized transfer and use of another person’s computer file as your own

**Schedule** (subject to change)

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<td>General Introduction, beginning morphology</td>
<td>First homework assignment is published</td>
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<td>Affixes, morphemes, conditioning allomorphy</td>
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<td>Derivation vs inflection</td>
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<td>Auxiliary verbs, polar questions</td>
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<td>articulators cont., consonants, vowels</td>
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<td>vowels cont., familiarizing yourself with the IPA</td>
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**Experimental Extra Credit Procedures**

(The following is a form letter from the psychology department [MW])

Several courses allow students to participate in experiments for extra credit. The online scheduling system available at [http://ucla.sona-systems.com/](http://ucla.sona-systems.com/) provides an easy method for you to sign up for research studies. After you log in to the system, you can view a list of available studies and any restrictions, sign up for studies that interest you, and track your progress throughout the term.

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You must be registered with the Psychology Department Subject Pool system before you participate in experiments. Participating in an experiment before you are registered may result in not receiving credit. For questions, contact the site administrator at subjectpool@psych.ucla.edu.

**Requesting an account**

You will see a link on the front page of the site at [http://ucla.sona-systems.com/](http://ucla.sona-systems.com/) to request an account. Click the link, and you will be required to provide some very basic information. Please use your nine digit university identification (UID) number as your username. Shortly after you create your account, you will receive an email notification with your password. The email notification will include login instructions for the system. You will have the option to change your password after your first login.

**Logging In**

Once you have your login information, go to the front page of the site and enter your user ID and password to login. Your login (also known as a session) will expire after a certain period of inactivity, usually 20 minutes. This is done for security purposes. If this happens, you can always log in again.

**Viewing and Signing up for Studies**

To view a list of studies, click on Studies from top toolbar. You will see a list of studies. A brief description of each study will be listed, as well as any special requirements that may restrict your eligibility to participate in the study.

Studies that have available participation times will have Timeslots Available listed next to the name of the study. If no studies have available timeslots, you may want to logon to the system a few days later to see if new timeslots have been added.

To sign up to participate in a study, find the study you would like to participate in. Click on the study name for more information. Once you have determined you meet all the requirements, click on View Timeslots for This Study. You will need to select courses you belong to in order to see a list of available timeslots. Choose a timeslot that is convenient for you, and click Sign Up. After you click Sign Up, you will see information displayed confirming the time and location of the study you plan to participate in.

If you cannot make a study that you signed up for, please cancel 24 hours prior to the study time (or as soon as you determine you can no longer keep your appointment) by emailing or calling the Researcher of that study.

**Allocating credits to correct course**

Make sure you allocate your credits to your courses after completing each experiment, so that the Credit Balance Report at the end of the quarter will reflect all your credits. If you want to change your course selection or add courses go to My Profile Change Courses and make your selection. Hold the Ctrl or Apple key and click to select multiple courses.
Participation Deadline

The last day to participate and receive credit for any experiment in Fall 2012 is December 6 (Thursday of Week 10).