

LING 101.01  
Fall 2021

## Introduction to Language and Linguistics

This course is intended to serve as a general introduction to the field of study known as linguistics, or the study of human language -- its scientific and systematic foundations. We will focus on the major core subareas of linguistics: phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax and semantics. These areas are prerequisite to working in other subareas of linguistics such as historical linguistics, language acquisition, psycholinguistics (which we will cover in LING102).

### Course Information

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**Lecture times:**  
Monday 5-6 BTS (Büyük Toplantı Salonu)/ South Campus  
**in-person (1pm-2:30pm)**  
Wednesday 5-6 **on zoom (1pm-2pm)**

**Discussion section:** Wednesday **on zoom** (2:10pm-2:50pm)

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### Course materials:

**Textbook:** Fromkin, A. V., R. Rodman & N. Hyams. (2014). *An Introduction to Language*. Wadsworth Cengage Learning. **(10th edition)**

Assignments, sample solutions, additional material will be uploaded to Moodle.

### Course requirements: (subject to change)

Assignments: There will be 4 assignments during the course of the semester (see plan for due dates). Turn in all assignments on time. Late submission of assignments is not allowed. The assignments will determine 15% of the course grade.

Exams: There will be one quiz (5%) and one midterm in the course of the semester. The midterm will account for 40% of the course grade. A cumulative final exam will determine the remaining 40% of your grade.

Class Attendance: The content of this course is primarily based on class lectures. Thus your attendance is key to your success in class!

| <b>Schedule</b> |    |                                     |                   |                         |
|-----------------|----|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Weeks</b>    |    | <b>Topics</b>                       | <b>Readings</b>   | <b>Due dates</b>        |
| <b>Week 1</b>   |    |                                     |                   |                         |
| <b>Oct.</b>     | 6  | Preliminaries                       |                   |                         |
| <b>Week 2</b>   |    |                                     |                   |                         |
| <b>Oct.</b>     | 11 | Knowledge of Language/<br>Phonetics | <b>Chapter 1</b>  |                         |
|                 | 13 | Phonetics                           | <b>Chapter 5</b>  |                         |
| <b>Week 3</b>   |    |                                     |                   |                         |
| <b>Oct.</b>     | 18 | Phonetics                           |                   |                         |
|                 | 20 | Phonetics                           |                   | <b>Quiz I</b>           |
| <b>Week 4</b>   |    |                                     |                   |                         |
| <b>Oct.</b>     | 25 | Phonetics                           |                   |                         |
|                 | 27 | Phonology                           | <b>Chapter 6</b>  |                         |
| <b>Week 5</b>   |    |                                     |                   |                         |
| <b>Nov.</b>     | 1  | Phonology                           |                   |                         |
|                 | 3  | Phonology                           |                   | <b>Assignment 1 due</b> |
| <b>Week 6</b>   |    |                                     |                   |                         |
| <b>Nov.</b>     | 8  | Morphology                          | <b>Chapter 2</b>  |                         |
|                 | 10 | Morphology                          |                   |                         |
| <b>Week 7</b>   |    |                                     |                   |                         |
| <b>Nov.</b>     | 15 | Morphophonology                     |                   |                         |
|                 | 17 | Morphophonology                     |                   | <b>Assignment 2 due</b> |
| <b>Week 8</b>   |    |                                     |                   |                         |
| <b>Nov.</b>     | 22 | <b>MIDTERM</b>                      | <b>(In class)</b> |                         |
|                 | 24 | TBA                                 |                   |                         |
| <b>Week 9</b>   |    |                                     |                   |                         |
| <b>Nov.</b>     | 29 | Syntax                              | <b>Chapter 3</b>  |                         |
| <b>Dec.</b>     | 1  | Syntax                              |                   |                         |
| <b>Week 10</b>  |    |                                     |                   |                         |
| <b>Dec.</b>     | 6  | Syntax                              |                   |                         |
|                 | 8  | Syntax                              |                   | <b>Assignment 3 due</b> |
| <b>Week 11</b>  |    |                                     |                   |                         |
| <b>Dec.</b>     | 13 | Syntax                              |                   |                         |
|                 | 15 | Syntax                              |                   |                         |
| <b>Week 12</b>  |    |                                     |                   |                         |
| <b>Dec.</b>     | 20 | Semantics                           | <b>Chapter 4</b>  |                         |
|                 | 22 | Semantics                           |                   |                         |
| <b>Week 13</b>  |    |                                     |                   |                         |
| <b>Dec.</b>     | 27 | Semantics                           |                   |                         |
|                 | 29 | Semantics                           |                   | <b>Assignment 4 due</b> |
| <b>Week 14</b>  |    |                                     |                   |                         |
| <b>Jan.</b>     | 3  | Semantics                           |                   |                         |