

English 330: English Phonology

WHITE 4208 MWF 11:00 AM - 11:50 AM

General Information

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Office Hours

I will have informal office hours directly after class and official office hours on Tuesday mornings 9am to 10:30am and Thursday afternoons 2pm to 3:30pm. If none of these times work for you please email or talk to me about setting up a time that works.

Textbooks

We'll be using two textbooks for this class:

- Yavaş, Mehmet (2006) *Applied English Phonology*. Blackwell Publishing.
- Kreidler, Charles W. (1997) *Describing Spoken English: An introduction*. Routledge.

Both books are required and available from the UW Bookstore.

Course Objectives

This course is designed to introduce students to the basic principles of phonology and articulatory phonetics applied to the description of English. As part of this students will:

- learn to use IPA notation to represent the sounds of English and other languages
- become aware of how the sound patterns of a language are represented in the cognitive system that is phonology
- provide analysis of various phonological patterns in English in language general and language specific terms so as to understand what is unique about English

Evaluation

There are three components to the grade for this course: homework assignments, exams and a phonological sketch.

Homework	40%
Exams (3)	45% (15% each)
Phonological Sketch	15%
Total	100%

Homework Assignments 40%

There will be about one homework assignment each week due on Friday in general. The homework assignment will be based on the week's topic. ALL HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENTS MUST BE TYPED AND HANDED IN ON TIME. NO HANDWRITTEN OR LATE ASSIGNMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED. We will discuss the homework in class on the day that it is due so we can make sure everyone understood the assignment. Typing your homework allows you to put hand written notes for your own benefit on the assignment. Only the type written answers will be graded and scratching out answers is unacceptable.

Exams 45% total (15% each)

There will be three in class exams. One for each of the main themes covered through the lectures: phonetics of English, phonology of English and ESL phonology. The dates for the exams are:

phonetics of English	Wed. Oct. 4th
phonology of English	Wed. Nov. 22nd
ESL phonology	Wed. Dec. 3rd

Phonological Sketch 15%

You will be required to write a sketch of a language other than English (or possibly a 'non-standard' dialect of English) that will identify what aspects of English phonology a native speaker of the language will have difficulty learning. The source for this project should be a good descriptive grammar from the library of a language other than English. You will need to choose a language and acquire the resources you need to use by Oct. 20th when you must hand in the name of your language and the reference information for your source(s). Full details about the form and content of the phonological sketch will be handed out in class at a later date.

Academic Misconduct

Please make sure that you are familiar with UW's Academic Misconduct Policy which you can read at:

<http://www.wisc.edu/students/conduct/uws14.htm>

NO ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT WILL BE TOLERATED.

Class Attendance

Regular class attendance is assumed to be the standard behavior. Attendance sheets will be handed out at the beginning of each class. IF YOU DO NOT ATTEND CLASS YOU WILL NOT DO WELL. Please inform me as soon as possible about missing any classes so arrangements can be made for you to make up any missed materials.

Course Schedule

Topics of lectures, reading and homework assignments are listed below on the date they are DUE. K = Kreidler and Y = Yavas

Week 1 Sept. 5-8

Wed Introduction and Administrative Issues
Fri Overview of the course
READ: K Ch 1 pp1-11

Week 2 Sept. 11-15

Mon Articulatory Phonetics
READ: M Ch 1 pp1-29
Wed Articulatory Phonetics Cont.
READ: K Ch 2 pp 13-26
Fri HMWK #1 DUE

Week 3 Sept. 18-22

Mon IPA- English Consonants
READ: Y Ch3 pp 57-75, K Ch 4 pp 49-64
Wed English Consonants Transcription
Fri HMWK #2 DUE

Week 4 Sept. 25-29

Mon IPA- English Vowels
READ: Y Ch 4 pp 76-95, K Ch 5 pp 65-84
Wed English Vowels Transcription
Fri HMWK #3 DUE

Week 5 Oct. 2-6

Mon Review for Exam #1
Wed Exam #1 English Phonetics
Fri Introduction to English Phonology
READ: Y Ch 2 pp30-56

Week 6 Oct. 9-13

Mon Disucssion of Exam #1
Wed Minimal Pairs
Fri HMWK #4 Due

Week 7 Oct. 16-20

Mon Complementary Distribution
Wed Writing Rules
Fri HMWK #5
PHONOLOGICAL SKETCH PROPOSAL DUE

Week 8	Oct. 23-27
Mon	Syllables READ: Y Ch 6 pp 127-151, K Ch 6 pp 85-100
Wed	Syllabification
Fri	HMWK #6
Week 9	Oct. 30-Nov. 3
Mon	Stress READ: Y Ch 7 pp152-176, K Ch 8 pp 123-142
Wed	Rules for Stress
Fri	HWMK #7
Week 10	Nov. 6-10
Mon	More Rules for Stress READ: K Ch 12 pp 195-211
Wed	Vowel Reduction READ: K Ch 8 pp 101-122
Fri	HMWK #8
Week 11	Nov. 13-17
Mon	Morphophonology READ: K Ch 12 pp 195-211
Wed	Morphophonology Cont.
Fri	HMWK #9
Week 12	Nov. 20-24
Mon	Review for Exam #2
Wed	Exam #2 English Phonology
Fri	Thanksgiving Break
Week 13	Nov. 27-Dec. 1
Mon	Discussion of Exam #2
Wed	ESL Phonology READ: Y Ch 8 pp 177-212
Fri	HWMK #10
Week 14	Dec. 4-8
Mon	ESL Mini Sketches
Wed	ESL Mini Sketches
Fri	HWMK #11
Week 15	Dec. 11-15
Mon	Review for Exam #3
Wed	Exam #3 ESL Phonology
Fri	Phonological Sketch Due (Last Day)