

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 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm. If none of these times work for you please email or talk to me about setting up a time that works.

Course Materials

There is a required textbook for this course which is:
Yavaş, Mehmet (2006) *Applied English Phonology*. Blackwell Publishing.

Other class materials (additional readings, handouts, etc.) will be distributed via the Learn@UW website for this course. Make sure you know how to use Learn@UW.

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
- learn the articulatory description of the sounds of English and other languages
- learn to discover and describe the distribution of sounds in English and other languages

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.

A grade from 0 (no homework handed in) to 5 (perfection) will be given each homework assignment. The final letter grade for the homework component will be calculated based on the average homework score on a curved scale based on the average score of the class.

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. 3rd
phonology of English	Wed. Nov. 21st
ESL phonology	Wed. Dec. 12th

All exam grades are calculated on a curved scale based on the average score of the class.

Phonological Sketch 15%

You will be required to write a sketch of a language other than 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. 19th 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/saja/misconduct/misconduct.html>

NO ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT WILL BE TOLERATED.

Class Attendance

Regular class attendance is assumed to be the standard behavior. You are responsible for all information in each class whether you are present or not. **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.

Week 1 Sept. 4-7

Wed Introduction and Administrative Issues
Fri Overview of the course
READ: Halle 1954 [2002] from Learn@UW website

Week 2 Sept. 10-14

Mon-Wed Articulatory Phonetics
READ: Yavaş Ch 1 pp 1-29
Fri HMWK #1 DUE

Week 3 Sept. 17-21

Mon-Wed IPA- English Consonants
READ: Yavaş Ch3 pp 57-75
Fri HMWK #2 DUE

Week 4 Sept. 24-28

Mon-Wed IPA- English Vowels
READ: Yavaş Ch 4 pp 76-95
Fri HMWK #3 DUE

Week 5 Oct. 1-5

Mon Review for Exam #1
Wed Exam #1 English Phonetics
Fri Introduction to English Phonology
READ: Yavaş Ch 2 pp 30-56

Week 6 Oct. 8-12

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

Week 7 Oct. 15-19

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

Week 8 Oct. 22-26

Mon-Wed Syllables
READ: Yavaş Ch 6 pp 127-151
Fri HMWK #6

Week 9 Oct. 29-Nov. 2

Mon-Wed Stress
 READ: Yavaş Ch 7 pp 152-176
Fri HWMK #7

Week 10 Nov. 5-9

Mon Stress Continued
 READ: TBA
Wed Vowel Reduction
Fri HMWK #8

Week 11 Nov. 12-16

Mon-Wed Morphophonology
 READ: TBA
Fri HMWK #9

Week 12 Nov. 19-23

Mon Review for Exam #2
Wed Exam #2 English Phonology
Fri Thanksgiving Break

Week 13 Nov. 26-30

Mon Discussion of Exam #2
Wed ESL Phonology
 READ: Yavaş Ch 8 pp 177-212
Fri HWMK #10

Week 14 Dec. 3-7

Mon-Wed ESL Mini Sketches
Fri HWMK #11

Week 15 Dec. 10-14

Mon Review for Exam #3
Wed Exam #3 ESL Phonology
Fri Phonological Sketch Due (Last Day)