Course Title: ENG 308 Introduction to Linguistics
Term: Fall 2022
Instructor: TBA
Course Credit: 3
Mode of Instruction: Online

Course Description:

This course introduces basic concepts of descriptive linguistics, including phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, and pragmatics, language acquisition, and language processing. Given that language is intimately connected to our cognitive, psychological, and social experience, an understanding of linguistic structure can help illuminate aspects of these domains. This course should give students a new perspective on language and new sense of respect for the species that can manipulate it easily.

Course Prerequisites:

N/A

Learning Outcomes:

By the end of the course, the student should be able to:

A. Have exposure to a wide array of linguistic diversity as well as systematic patterns and cross-linguistic universals that constrain this diversity;

B. Form hypotheses about the human language faculty and use linguistic data to test these hypotheses;

C. Use linguistic resources, extract relevant information from them, and cite them following field-specific conventions;

D. Examine attitudes towards language and how it is used in society and culture;

E. Analyze how language varies across speakers, over time, and across dialectal regions.

Course Material:

Department of Linguistics, The Ohio State University, *Language Files: Materials for an Introduction to Language and Linguistics*, 12th Edition, The Ohio State University Press, 2016.

Evaluation:

- Quizzes [40%]

- Mid-term Exam [25%]

- Final Exam [35%]

Description of the Evaluation tasks:

Assignment/ Essay/ ... : During the term, students will be required to finish several evaluation tasks within due date.   All the tasks are linked with specific course topics/outcomes and will adequately assess students' competence and learning outcomes. Students are encouraged to meet with instructor about these tasks at any point.

Mid-term/ Final Exams/ Quiz/... : There may be periodic quizzes given at the beginning of lecture sessions; the feedback from these quizzes will monitor the progress of the learners and help to set learning priorities. There will be mid-term exam/ final exam for the course. They are the basic criteria for the evaluation of students' learning outcomes and final grade.

Grading Policy:

Students are supposed to finish each online lecture. Prior to each class, students should finish the required readings. During the class time, students are encouraged to make use of all relevant online course resources and communicate with the instructor. Students' grades are accumulated based on the cumulative evaluations.

Students' letter grade will be assigned according to the following scale:

A+ 90-100	A 85-89	A- 80-84
B+ 77-79	B 73-76	B- 70-72
C+ 67-69	C 63-66	C- 60-62
D+ 57-59	D 53-56	D- 50-52
F < 50		

Academic Integrity:

Students must strictly adhere to the university's academic integrity rule; and all essays, exams and any other form of academic assignments must adhere to these rules. Any form of plagiarism, cheating, or misappropriation of materials will be considered a violation of academic integrity and will be punishable by the university.

Withdrawal from the Course(s):

Students will be able to apply for a transfer or withdrawal within 3 days of the starting date of the course. If a withdrawal is applied for within 3 working days, the tuition fee will be fully refunded. After 3 days, the tuition fee will not be refunded. If a withdrawal is applied for in the first two weeks, it will be recorded as W (Withdraw) on the course transcript. After this initial two-week period, the class will be recorded as F (Fail).

Tentative Schedule:

Week 1

1	Introduction
2	Phonetics
3	Phonology
4	Morphology
5	Morphology (Cont.)

	Quiz#1

Week 2

6	Syntax
7	Semantics
8	Pragmatics
9	Language Acquisition
10	Language Acquisition (Cont.) **Quiz#2**

Week 3

11	Psycholinguistics
12	Language Variation
13	**Mid-term Exam**
14	Language and Culture
15	Language and Culture (Cont.) **Quiz#3**

Week 4

16	Language Contact
17	Language Change
18	Animal Communication
19	Writing Systems
20	Writing Systems (Cont.) **Quiz#4**

Week 5

21	Language and Computers
22	Practical Application
23	Language Education
24	Language in Advertising
25	**Final Exam**