# LINGUISTICS 220 - INTRODUCTION TO LINGUISTICS

Course Syllabus

Department of Linguistics - Simon Fraser University – Fall Semester 2012

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**Tutorials:** Check class list for your tutorial time and place

**Course information:** This syllabus and all other course information available on WebCT (https://webct.sfu.ca/webct/logon/2307869437151)

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| Debopam Das | ddas@sfu.ca | W 11 – 12; R 12 – 1 | RCB 8314 |
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## TUTORIALS

| Catalogue number | Section number | Day | Time | Place | Instructor |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4634 | D101 | W | 09:30 - 10:20 | RCB 5125 | Maite Taboada |
| 4636 | D102 | W | 12:30 - 13:20 | AQ 5050 | Debopam Das |
| 4644 | D103 | W | 12:30 - 13:20 | RCB 6122 | Mehran Norafkan |
| 4638 | D104 | W | 13:30 - 14:20 | RCB 7102 | Mehran Norafkan |
| 13969 | D105 | R | 10:30 - 11:20 | WMC 3513 | Debopam Das |
| 4646 | D106 | R | 13:30 - 14:20 | WMC 3511 | Mehran Norafkan |
| 4640 | D107 | R | 09:30 - 10:20 | AQ 5051 | Debopam Das |
| 4648 | D108 | R | 09:30 - 10:20 | AQ 5050 | Meghan Jeffrey |
| 4674 | D109 | R | 10:30 - 11:20 | AQ 5051 | Meghan Jeffrey |
| 4658 | D110 | R | 14:30 - 15:20 | AQ 5050 | Meghan Jeffrey |

6. Assignments are **due at the *beginning* of tutorials**. Late assignments will not be accepted.
7. If you have to **miss an in-class exam because of illness**, you are required to contact me *prior* to the exam. You may notify me by e-mail or leave a voice mail message in the office. When you return to class, I will need a note from your medical doctor specifying the date of your absence and the reason. There is a good chance that I will call the doctor to confirm the note.
   Following departmental policy, **make-up exams for midterms will not be given under any circumstances**. If you have a doctor's note for the date of the exam, the weight of that exam will be added to the final exam.
   Unexcused absences from exams will result in a grade of zero for that exam.
   Under no circumstances will students be allowed to write the final exam early or late. If you have travel plans or career plans in December, you are responsible for ensuring that they do not conflict with the final examination schedule.
8. Students will be **respectful** of other students and the instructor. In particular, students will not talk while the instructor or another student is talking.
9. Students should familiarize themselves with the **Department's Standards** on Class Management and Student Responsibilities at:
   http://www.sfu.ca/linguistics/undergraduate/student-resources/department-standards.html
10. **Cell phones**: please make sure that your cell phone (or any other noisy device, including alarms) is turned off during class.
11. **Academic dishonesty** in all forms violates the basic principles of integrity and thus

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### iCLICKERS

We will be using iClickers in class. If you don't own one, you will have to purchase it from the SFU bookstore. Please bring it to class every day. At the beginning of the semester, register it with this course at www.iclicker.com. Please enter your first and last name and you SFU student ID. Click that we will be using a classroom management system (WebCT).

I will use the clickers in class to check on comprehension and stimulate discussion. There is no grade attached to these in-class questions, but I will use them to check attendance.

### GRADE APPEALS

If a student wishes to contest the marking of an exam or assignment, the instructor can agree to remark his/her entire exam at the instructor's convenience and not in front of the student. A grade reconsideration may raise the grade, lower the grade, or leave the grade unchanged, as stated in Policy T20.01, clause 2.4.4.
The only reason a grade change will be made is if there is an arithmetic error or if it has been determined that the exam deserves a lower grade or a higher grade after it has been remarked.
The following are NOT reasons for reconsideration of a grade:

- The student is on probation
- The student wants to get into Business or any other program
- The student worked hard and thinks this should be a factor
- The student does not like the grade scale
- The student's score is x% below the next grade and would like the instructor to ignore the difference

### STUDENT-INSTRUCTOR COMMUNICATION

Students are encouraged to communicate wi

**TOPICS, READING OUTLINE AND ASSIGNMENTS**
Tentative and subject to change.

| Week | Date | Topic | Read (before class) | Assign-ment # | Assignment exercises (end of respective chapter) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Sept 4 | Introduction | Chapter 1 | | |
| 2 | Sept 11 | Morphology | Chapter 4, 1-3 | 1 | Ch. 1 - 3, 5 |
| 3 | Sept 18 | Morphology | Chapter 4, 4-7 | 2 | Ch. 4 - 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 |
| 4 | Sept 25 | Syntax | Chapter 5, 1-2 | 3 | Ch. 4 - 7, 8, 15, 18 |
| 5 | Oct 2 | Syntax | Chapter 5, 3-6 | 4 | Ch. 5 - 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 |
| 6 | Oct 9 | Review for midterm | | 5 | Ch. 5 - 9, 12, 13, 19 |
| 7 | Oct 16 | **Midterm** Semantics | Chapter 6, 1-4 | | |
| 8 | Oct 23 | Phonetics | Chapter 2, 1-6 | 6 | Ch. 6 - 1, 2, 3, 7, 14, 17 |
| 9 | Oct 30 | Phonetics | Chapter 2, 7-9 | 7 | Ch. 2 - 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 |
| 10 | Nov 6 | Phonology | Chapter 3, 1-3 | 8 | Ch. 2 - 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 |
| 11 | Nov 13 | Phonology | Chapter 3, 4-6 | 9 | Ch. 3 - 1, 2, 3, 4 |
| 12 | Nov 20 | Language classification | Chapter 8, 1-3 | 10 | Ch. 3 - 6, 7, 9, 10, 12 |
| 13 | Nov 27 | Review | | 11 | Ch. 8 - 1, 2, 7, 8, 9 |
| | Dec. 14 | **Final exam** | 12 pm. Place TBA | | |