

LIN3010: Introduction to Linguistics

Class Meeting Times and Locations

Lecture (all sections):	M, W	12:50pm-1:40pm	Florida Gym (FLG) 220
TA Section 31547:	F	12:50pm-1:40pm	Matherly Hall (MAT) 108
TA Section 31548:	F	12:50pm-1:40pm	Matherly Hall (MAT) 105
TA Section 31549:	F	11:45am-12:35pm	Matherly Hall (MAT) 107
TA Section 31550:	F	1:55pm-2:45pm	Matherly Hall (MAT) 003

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Course Description

The goal of this course is to provide an introduction to the field of linguistics (the scientific study of language) as well as the methodologies/approaches taken by linguistics to analyze language. During this course, we will examine some of the key areas of linguistics, including phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, language variation, and language acquisition.

Course Objectives

Successful completion of the course will enable you to:

- Demonstrate an understanding of the core areas of linguistics
- Analyze a range of language structures at different levels of complexity
- Use basic linguistic terminology to describe the features of human languages

Required Materials

Finegan, E. (2015). *Language: Its Structure and Use* (7th Edition). Stamford, Connecticut: Cengage Learning.

*This textbook is available through the UF All Access Program.

**Any additional readings or materials will be made available on Canvas.

Course Website: Canvas

Materials, assignments, and grades will be accessible through Canvas on the UF eLearning website

(<http://elearning.ufl.edu>). If you encounter any issues while using this site, you can contact the UF Computing Help Desk (<http://helpdesk.ufl.edu/>) or your instructor.

Grading Scale

Grade Scale:

100-94 = A

93.9-90 = A-

89.9-87 = B+

86.9-84 = B

83.9-80 = B-

79.9-77 = C+

76.9-74 = C

73.9-70 = C-

69.9-67 = D+

66.9-64 = D

63.9-60 = D-

59.9-0 = F

Course Grade

Course Grade Distribution:

Homework	40%
Quizzes	30%
Exams	<u>30%</u>
	100%

Homework—40%

You will submit 6 homework assignments based on the readings and class discussions. Specific instructions and questions will be available on the course site at least one week prior to the due date.

Quizzes —30%

You will have 6 quizzes throughout this course. Quizzes will be given during the TA section of this course and will focus on the information covered during the lecture and in the textbook for each Module.

Exams—30%

You will have 2 exams throughout this course. The midterm exam will cover the content from Modules 1-4 and the Final Exam will cover the content from Modules 1-8. The final exam given on the last day of class (April 20th, 2022). There is no make-up for the final exam. More information about the final exam and date will be made available later in the semester.

Classroom Etiquette and Expectations

I expect all students to always conduct themselves in a respectful and appropriate manner during class. We all have different viewpoints, cultural backgrounds, and beliefs, so be aware of this and try to remain open-minded. This includes when interacting with your peers in classroom discussions and group work.

You are welcome to use your laptop, tablet, and/or smartphone in class to enhance your learning experience. However, be forewarned that if you miss something important due to technological distractions, it is your responsibility to get the information you missed from a classmate.

As a student in this course, you are expected to attend class regularly and complete all assignments and readings on time. Students are also expected to check Canvas regularly for messages and updates regarding the class. Students who fail to do this are not likely to succeed in this course.

Academic Integrity

UF students are bound by The Honor Pledge which states, “We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code. On all work submitted for credit by students at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: “On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment.” The Honor Code specifies a number of behaviors that are in violation of this code and the possible sanctions. Furthermore, you are obligated to report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult with the instructor or TAs in this class. Students should be sure that they understand the UF Student Conduct Code at <https://sccr.dso.ufl.edu/process/student-conduct-code/>.

Attendance Policy

Attendance in this course is extremely important because much of our time in class will focus on discussion and group activities. However, I understand that you may not be able to attend every class. If you miss a class, you are still responsible for any assignments due that day and any information covered. If you are not able to attend class on a test or quiz day, you must contact me by phone or email prior to class time to discuss the possibility of a make-up. Make-ups will only be allowed in the event of a documented emergency. For more information on the official UF attendance policy, go to <https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx>

UF Religious Holiday Policy

At the ELI, we understand that our students come from a variety of cultural and religious backgrounds. University policy states that you will not be penalized for *planned absences* related to religious observances. For more information, you may view UF's official policy online at <https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx> or talk with a teacher or an ELI administrator.

Accommodations

Students with disabilities who experience learning barriers and would like to request academic accommodations should connect with the Disability Resource Center (<https://disability.ufl.edu/get-started/>). It is important for students to share their accommodation letter with their instructor and discuss their access needs, as early as possible in the semester.

Course Schedule

Week	Module	Assignments
1 (01/03-01/07)	Introduction to LIN3010	
2 (01/10-01/14)	Introduction to Linguistics	Homework 1 Quiz 1
3 (01/17-01/21)	Phonetics Holiday - No Class (01/17)	
4 (01/24-01/28)	Phonetics	Homework 2 Quiz 2
5 (01/31-02/04)	Phonology	
6 (02/07-01/11)	Phonology	Homework 3 Quiz 3
7 (02/14-02/18)	Morphology	
8 (02/21-02/25)	Morphology	Homework 4 Quiz 4
9 (02/28-03/04)	Review Modules 1-4	Midterm Exam
10 (03/07-03/11)	SPRING BREAK Holiday - No class	
11 (03/14-03/18)	Syntax	
12 (03/21-03/25)	Syntax	Homework 5 Quiz 5
13 (03/28-04/01)	Speech Acts and Conversation	
14 (04/04-04/08)	Language Variation	
15 (04/11-04/15)	Acquiring Language	Homework 6 Quiz 6
16 (04/18-04/20)	Review Final Exam (04/20)	Final Exam

*This is a tentative schedule and is subject to change due to class progress and unexpected emergencies.

*Any changes will be announced in class and posted on Canvas.