

FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

SCHOOL OF LINGUISTICS AND APPLIED LANGUAGE STUDIES

LINGUISTIC PROGRAMME LING 328: PHONETICS AND PHONOLOGY 20 POINTS

TRIMESTER 2 2014

Important dates

Trimester dates: 14 July to 16 November 2014 **Teaching dates:** 14 July to 17 October 2014

Mid-trimester break: 25 August to 7 September 2014

Study week: 20-24 October 2014

Examination/Assessment Period: 24 October to 15 November 2014

Note: students who enrol in courses with examinations must be able to attend an examination at

the University at any time during the scheduled examination period.

Withdrawal dates: Refer to www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/withdrawals-refunds. If you cannot complete an assignment or sit a test or examination, refer to www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/exams/aegrotats.

Class times and locations

CRN17007: Monday 3.10pm – 4pm in Alan MacDiarmid Building LT105
Wednesday 3.10pm – 4pm in Alan MacDiarmid Building LT105
Thursday 3.10pm – 4pm in Murphy LT102

Names and contact details

Course Coordinator

Dr Sasha Calhoun Office: VZ318 Phone: 463 9537

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Some lectures will also be given by A/Prof Paul Warren (Paul.Warren@vuw.ac.nz).

Course Administrator

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Communication of additional information

Notices will be posted on Blackboard (www.blackboard.vuw.ac.nz).

Prescription

Advanced work in phonetics and phonology. Co-taught with LING 428.

Course content

Topics covered in the course include: articulatory and acoustic phonetics, phonological universals, phonological rules and metrical phonology. A separate hand-out showing a more detailed breakdown of content to be covered in the course will be distributed in lectures and will be made available on Blackboard.

Course learning objectives (CLOs)

Students who pass the course should be able to:

- 1. understand in general terms how speech is produced and perceived, and be familiar with the basic physical properties of speech sounds
- 2. describe accurately the sounds of English using instrumental and auditory means, including features of connected speech, and demonstrate an awareness of the sounds of the world's languages
- 3. analyse a range of phonological phenomena, from the segmental to the suprasegmental level, in formal terms
- 4. evaluate the difficulties in relating phonetic data to phonological representations
- 5. demonstrate a critical awareness of major trends in phonological theory over the past 50 years

Teaching format

The content of LING 328 will be delivered through lectures and practical sessions and through students' own reading.

Mandatory course requirements

In addition to achieving an overall pass mark of 50%, students must:

- 1. Make a satisfactory attempt to complete the three assignments. "Satisfactory" means that where they have not reached a C- standard, work must nevertheless reflect the fact that the assignment has been taken seriously and that a reasonable amount of effort has been devoted to the task. Apart from the exam, no work handed in after 4pm on 24 October may count for these purposes.
- 2. All students must also gain a level of 40% in the final examination in order to pass the course.

Workload

Reading/Revision of Lecture/Practical Material: 5hrs/week over 12 weeks

Preparing assignments: 7hrs/week over 12 weeks

Exam Preparation: 20 hrs

Total outside hours for course: 164 + 36 hours contact time = 200 hours

Assessment

Assessment	CLOs	Value	Due Date
Spectrogram analysis of connected speech (max 1000 words)	1, 2	20%	18 August
3. Phonological analysis (max 750 words)	3	10%	25 September
4. Project (max 2500 words)	3,4	30%	15 October
5. Exam (2 hours)	1-5	40%	TBA*

^{*}In the Examination/Assessment period: 24 October to 15 November 2014.

Assessment will be based on two short assignments, one project and a final examination.

The short assignments will be practical exercises on the topics indicated, to consolidate lecture material. The project is an in-depth investigation of a topic covered in the course or a phonetic and phonological analysis of speech data showing the relationship between the analysis and theoretical issues raised in the course.

Half of the exam will be short-answer questions, testing understanding of terminology, along with short problems in phonetic and phonological analysis. The other half of the exam will be an essay on one of a range of questions relating to the content of the course.

Marking criteria will be distributed with each assignment.

Submission and return of work

Assignments should be handed in BOTH via the submission link on Blackboard AND to the lecturer (preferable) or to the LALS Office (VZ210) no later than 3.10pm on the day the assignment is due. Please keep a back-up copy of your assignment.

Marked assignments will be returned in class approximately ten days after the due date.

Extensions and penalties

Extensions

If you require an extension for good reasons, ask the course coordinator ahead of the date for handing in the assignment.

Penalties

In line with LING programme policy, assignments handed in after the due date will receive a considerably reduced grade unless accompanied by a medical certificate or other evidence of exceptional circumstances. Information on penalty arrangements will be included with detailed instructions for each assignment.

There will also be a penalty of one grade (5% of the total for that assignment) for going more than 10% over the word limit set for each assignment, and two grades for going more than 25% over the set word limit.

Set texts

Ladefoged, Peter & Keith Johnson (2014). A Course In Phonetics (7th edition), USA: Cengage Learning (Third edition on is also fine).

Gussenhoven, Carlos and Haike Jacobs 2011. Understanding Phonology (Third Edition). London: Routledge.

These are available from: www.vicbooks.co.nz. They are also on closed reserve in the Library.

Recommended reading

A bibliography of relevant background reading will be posted on Blackboard.

Class representative

The class representative provides a useful way to communicate feedback to the teaching staff during the course. A class representative will be selected at the first lecture of the course. Students may like to write the Class Rep's name and details in this box:

Class Rep name and contact detail	Class	Rep	name	and	contact	detail
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Student feedback

Student feedback on this course is welcome at any time. Enhancements made to this course, based on the feedback of previous students, will be covered during the course.

Student feedback on University courses may be found at www.cad.vuw.ac.nz/feedback/feedback_display.php.

Other important information

The information above is specific to this course. There is other important information that students must familiarise themselves with, including:

- Academic Integrity and Plagiarism: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/exams/integrity-plagiarism
- Aegrotats: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/exams/aegrotats
- Academic Progress: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/progress/academic-progess (including restrictions and non-engagement)
- Dates and deadlines: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/dates
- FHSS Student and Academic Services Office: www.victoria.ac.nz/fhss/student-admin
- Grades: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/progress/grades
- Resolving academic issues: www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/dvc-academic/publications
- Special passes: www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/dvc-academic/publications
- Statutes and policies including the Student Conduct Statute: www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/strategy
- Student support: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/support
- Students with disabilities: www.victoria.ac.nz/st services/disability
- Student Charter: www.victoria.ac.nz/learning-teaching/learning-partnerships/student-charter
- Student Contract: www.victoria.ac.nz/study/apply-enrol/terms-conditions/student-contract
- Subject Librarians: http://library.victoria.ac.nz/library-v2/find-your-subject-librarian
- Turnitin: www.cad.vuw.ac.nz/wiki/index.php/Turnitin
- University structure: www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/structure
- Victoria graduate profile: www.victoria.ac.nz/learning-teaching/learning-partnerships/graduate-profile
- VUWSA: www.vuwsa.org.nz