

105 Section Syllabus

Sections: 103 (Fri. 8-9), 104 (Fri. 9-10), 106 (Fri. 12-1)

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Teaching Philosophy

I'm here because I'm a cognitive linguist passionate about the field, and hope that through this course I can help you to see the beauty of language and thought that drives my own intellectual curiosity. I enjoy thinking about different ways to present these abstract and sometimes difficult concepts to you, and strive to provide interactive activities that will allow you to engage with the material. By guiding your exploration of the material, I hope that you will not only learn the concepts of the course through exploration, but also make the learning process your own.

Email Policy

During the week I check my email once a day, typically (but not guaranteed) in the afternoon. On the weekends, I check my email once on Sunday afternoons. Because of this, please email me early if you have questions or concerns (I'll respond within 24 hrs during the week, 48 on weekends). I am happy to answer short questions and take OH appointments by email, but if your email would require a lengthy response, I will ask you to come in to see me instead - talking in person will be more effective.

Attendance and Participation

Section is your opportunity for guided practice of the concepts you learn in class and readings, and is an important part of the learning process of this course. For that reason, attendance in section is mandatory. We understand, though, that you have a life outside this class, so you are allowed **two "free" absences**. Use them wisely; we suggest looking at your obligations during the semester and saving your free absences for the days you know you will be out of town or at an extracurricular event. After your two free absences, each subsequent absence will result in a deduction of 3% from your final course grade. Also, because arriving late is disruptive to the entire class, we incentivize your timely arrival with a policy that **three tardies will count as an absence**. Absences will only be excused for unavoidable and justifiable conflicts and only with at least 24 hour advanced notice. In the event of such an unavoidable conflict, you may be able to attend an alternative section, but you must contact the GSIs for *both* sections at least 24 hours in advance to secure permission. We want to continue to offer you this privilege, so *please don't abuse it*.

Participation includes, but is not limited to: active engagement, answering and posing questions, and a willingness to share the floor and discuss other people's contributions during activities and discussion. Because we want you focused and fully engaged in the section material, **no laptops are allowed**. They are distracting to you, and distracting to those around you.

Assignments

Although you may not need this much space for early assignments, ALL homework assignments have a length limit of **5 double-spaced pages of 12-point font** with 1-inch margins. Longer submissions will be graded based on the contents of the first five pages. All assignments must be typewritten; no handwritten assignments will be accepted.

Assignments will be due **in person in hard copy, at the beginning of the class lecture** on the specified due date. If your paper is late, it is your responsibility to be in touch with your GSI to make arrangements for submission; you will be docked half a check for every 24 hours up to 2 days, after which point the assignment can no longer be submitted. Please remember that we are on a tight grading cycle to get things back to you quickly; and besides, once an assignment has been discussed in class, it's not possible to accept late work on that assignment.

Accommodations

If you need disability-related accommodations in this class, if you have emergency medical information you wish to share with me, or if you need special arrangements in case the building must be evacuated, please inform me as soon as possible. Please see me privately after class or in my office.

Additional Resources

Counseling Services: College can be stressful. If you're feeling overwhelmed, the Tang medical center provides excellent counseling services: <http://uhs.berkeley.edu>

Academic Integrity

All written work submitted in this course, except for acknowledged quotations, is to be expressed in your own words. It should also be constructed upon a plan of your own devising. As mentioned on the syllabus, you are encouraged to discuss your answers to assignments in working groups, but the write-up you turn in must be done individually. Remember to list the members of your group in the header of your write-up, and give credit for specific contributions by using footnotes. Whatever style of citation you use, please be sure it is consistent throughout your assignment.

The Berkeley Campus Code of Student Conduct defines plagiarism as "the use of intellectual material produced by another person without acknowledging its source" and stipulates that plagiarism includes:

- 1) Copying from the writings or works of others into one's academic assignment without attribution, or submitting such work as if it were one's own;
- 2) Using the views, opinions, or insights of another without acknowledgment; or
- 3) Paraphrasing the characteristic or original phraseology, metaphor, or other literary device of another without proper attribution.

Unacknowledged use of the words or ideas of others from any medium (print, digital, or otherwise) is plagiarism. The submission of plagiarized work will, under University rules, render the offending student subject to an F grade for the work in question or for the whole course, and will also make him/her liable for referral to the Student Judicial Affairs Office for further disciplinary action.