



## Course Specifications

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| <b>Course Title:</b> | <b>Introduction to Linguistics</b>                                 |
| <b>Course Code:</b>  | <b>LING 111</b>  |
| <b>Program:</b>      | <b>Bachelor's degree of Arts in Applied Linguistics (English).</b> |
| <b>Department:</b>   | <b>Department of Applied Linguistics</b>                           |
| <b>College:</b>      | <b>College of Languages</b>  |
| <b>Institution:</b>  | <b>Princess Noura bint Abdulrahman University</b>                  |



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## A. Course Identification

|   |
|---|
| <b>1. Credit hours:</b> 4 hours   |
| <b>2. Course type</b>   |
| a. University <input type="checkbox"/> College <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Department <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Elective <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>  |
| <b>3. Level/year at which this course is offered:</b> Level 2   |
| <b>4. Pre-requisites for this course (if any):</b><br>None.   |
| <b>5. Co-requisites for this course (if any):</b><br>None.  |

### 6. Mode of Instruction (mark all that apply)

| No | Mode of Instruction   | Contact Hours | Percentage |
|----|-----------------------|---------------|------------|
| 1  | Traditional classroom | 4             | 100%       |
| 2  | Blended               | -             | -          |
| 3  | E-learning            | -             | -          |
| 4  | Distance learning     | -             | -          |
| 5  | Other                 | -             | -          |

### 7. Contact Hours (based on academic semester)

| No | Activity          | Contact Hours |
|----|-------------------|---------------|
| 1  | Lecture           | 40            |
| 2  | Laboratory/Studio | -             |
| 3  | Tutorial          | -             |
| 4  | Others (specify)  | -             |
|    | <b>Total</b>      | 40            |

## B. Course Objectives and Learning Outcomes

|   |
|---|
| <p><b>1. Course Description</b></p> <p>This course is designed to introduce students to the field of Linguistics with a brief knowledge on each branch of the field.</p>  |
| <p><b>2. Course Main Objective</b></p> <p>This course is an introduction to linguistics. Students of this course will be introduced to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the key topics in language studies,</li> <li>the formal properties of language and the ways in which these properties are studied by linguists, concentrating on the core components of linguistic analysis: phonetics (sounds of language), phonology (sound patterns), morphology (word structure), syntax (sentence structure), and semantics (meaning), other areas of linguistics, such as, language acquisition, language history, sociolinguistics and neurolinguistics.</li> </ol> |



### 3. Course Learning Outcomes

| CLOs |   | Aligned PLOs |
|------|---|--------------|
| 1    | <b>Knowledge and Understanding</b><br>Students are expected to:                                     |              |
| 1.1  | Describe the internal structure and the use of language.  | K1           |
| 1.2  | Recognize the various stages in first language acquisition and second language acquisition/learning | K1           |
| 2    | <b>Skills :</b>   |              |
| 2.1  | Develop diagrams to describe syntactic structures.  | S4           |
| 2.2  | Differentiate between language variation according to the user and according to the situation.      | S5           |
| 3    | <b>Values:</b>  |              |
| 3.1  | Show confidence by presenting in front of the class.  | V2           |
| 3.2  | Demonstrate the ability to communicate effectively in class: individual and team involvement.       | V1           |

### C. Course Content

| No | List of Topics  | Contact Hours |
|----|---|---------------|
| 1  | Course Orientation<br>Course Content and evaluation methods<br>Rules and Regulations of expected conduct<br>Introduction  | 4             |
| 2  | Ch.2: Animals and human language  | 4             |
| 3  | Ch.3: The sounds of language: Phonetics, Place of articulation, Consonants, manner of articulation, & Vowels<br>Ch.4: The sound patters of language: phonology, Phonotactics, Syllables, & Coarticulation effects | 4             |
| 4  | Ch.5: Word formation<br>Ch.6: Morphology: Morphology, Morphemes, & Morphological description  | 4             |
| 5  | Ch.8: Syntax: Syntactic rules, Deep and surface structure & Tree diagrams<br>Ch.9: Semantics: Meaning & Semantic roles  | 4             |
| 6  | Ch.10: Pragmatics: Pragmatics, Context, Speech acts & Politeness<br>+ Mid-term Exam   | 4             |
| 7  | Ch.11: Discourse analysis: Discourse<br>Ch.12: Language and the brain   | 4             |
| 8  | Ch.13: First language acquisition: Acquisition, The acquisition schedule & The acquisition process<br>Ch.14: Second language acquisition/ learning: Second language learning & Communicative competence           | 4             |
| 9  | Ch.17: Language history and change: Family trees, The history of English<br>Ch.18: Regional variation in language: The standard language, Bilingualism & Language planning  | 4             |



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|--------------|--|----|
| 10           | Ch.19: Social variation in language: Sociolinguistics & Speech style and style shifting.<br>Ch.20: Language and culture: Culture, Social categories & Gender | 4  |
| <b>Total</b> |  | 40 |

## D. Teaching and Assessment

### 1. Alignment of Course Learning Outcomes with Teaching Strategies and Assessment Methods

| Code | Course Learning Outcomes  | Teaching Strategies                                      | Assessment Methods   |
|------|---|--|--|
| 1.0  | <b>Knowledge and Understanding</b><br>Students are expected to:                                     |  |  |
| 1.1  | describe the internal structure and the use of language.  | Lecture using visuals, word wall.                        | Quizzes and exams  |
| 1.2  | recognize the various stages in first language acquisition and second language acquisition/learning | Use of graphic organizers.                               | Assessing students' participation in class.                                    |
| 2.0  | <b>Skills</b>   |  |  |
| 2.1  | develop diagrams to describe syntactic structures.  | See, think, wonder.                                      | participation assessment in class activities.                                  |
| 2.2  | differentiate between language variation according to the user and according to the situation.      | Brainstorming.   | Participation in class, quizzes and exams.                                     |
| 3.0  | <b>Values</b>   |  |  |
| 3.1  | show confidence by presenting in front of the class.  | Think, pair, share.<br>Cooperative learning: the Jigsaw. | Participation in class activities, Collection of peer and instructor feedback. |
| 3.2  | demonstrate the ability to communicate effectively in class: individual and team involvement.       | Cooperative learning: the Jigsaw.                        | Quizzes, exams. Individual and group presentations.                            |

### 2. Assessment Tasks for Students

| # | Assessment task*           | Week Due | Percentage of Total Assessment Score |
|---|----------------------------|----------|--------------------------------------|
| 1 | Quiz                       | 4        | 10%                                  |
| 2 | Mid-term exam              | 6        | 30%                                  |
| 3 | Participation & Attendance | 2-10     | 5%                                   |
| 4 | Team Project               | 5- 10    | 15%                                  |
| 5 | Final Exam                 | TBA      | 40%                                  |
| 6 | Total                      |          | 100%                                 |

\*Assessment task (i.e., written test, oral test, oral presentation, group project, essay, etc.)

## E. Student Academic Counseling and Support

Arrangements for availability of faculty and teaching staff for individual student consultations and academic advice :



1. Arrangements for availability of faculty and teaching staff for individual student consultations and academic advice. (include amount of time teaching staff are expected to be available each week)

- Each instructor will have office hours available for the students.
- Also, each instructor will provide the students with the course specification document at the beginning of the course which will include other means of contact, like e-mail, social media account, and website.

For academic guidance, students may consult their assigned academic advisors.

## F. Learning Resources and Facilities

### 1. Learning Resources

|                                       |  |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| <b>Required Textbooks</b>             | Yule, George (1996). <u>The Study of Language</u> . Fifth edition. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.  |
| <b>Essential References Materials</b> | <p>Andrews, Larry (2001) <u>Linguistics for L2 Teachers</u>. Lawrence Erlbaum Associates.</p> <p>Finegan, Edward (2003) <u>Language: Its Structure and Use</u> .(4th ed.). Heinle.</p> <p>Loreto, Todd (1991) <u>An Introduction to Linguistics</u>. London: Longman,.</p> <p>O’Grady, W., et. al. (1996) <u>Contemporary Linguistics</u>. London: Longman.</p> <p>Robins, R. H. (1997) <u>A Short History of Linguistics</u>. (4th ed.). Addison Wesley Longman.</p>  |
| <b>Electronic Materials</b>           | <p><a href="https://student.unsw.edu.au/skills">https://student.unsw.edu.au/skills</a></p> <p>Interactive books:</p> <p><a href="http://www.uni-kassel.de/fb8/misc/lfb/html/text/startlfbframeset.html">http://www.uni-kassel.de/fb8/misc/lfb/html/text/startlfbframeset.html</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.sdcrashen.com/SL_Acquisition_and_Learning/index.html">http://www.sdcrashen.com/SL_Acquisition_and_Learning/index.html</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.uni-kassel.de/fb8/misc/lfb/html/text/startlfbframeset.html">http://www.uni-kassel.de/fb8/misc/lfb/html/text/startlfbframeset.html</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.word2word.com/ety.html">http://www.word2word.com/ety.html</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.questia.com/library/sociology-and-anthropology/language/linguistics/linguistics.jsp">http://www.questia.com/library/sociology-and-anthropology/language/linguistics/linguistics.jsp</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.uefap.com/speaking/spkfram.htm">http://www.uefap.com/speaking/spkfram.htm</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.sil.org/computing/catalog/show_software.asp?id=16">http://www.sil.org/computing/catalog/show_software.asp?id=16</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.americanaccent.com">http://www.americanaccent.com</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.questia.com/library/communication/human-communication/phonetics.jsp?CRID=phonetics&amp;OFFID=se1&amp;KEY=phonetics_books">http://www.questia.com/library/communication/human-communication/phonetics.jsp?CRID=phonetics&amp;OFFID=se1&amp;KEY=phonetics_books</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.uiowa.edu/~acadtech/phonetics/english/frameset.html">http://www.uiowa.edu/~acadtech/phonetics/english/frameset.html</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.chass.utoronto.ca/~danhall/phonetics/sammy.html">http://www.chass.utoronto.ca/~danhall/phonetics/sammy.html</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.kantalk.com/Recording/">http://www.kantalk.com/Recording/</a></p> <p>Phonology:</p> <p><a href="http://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=english+phonology&amp;search_type=&amp;aq=f">http://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=english+phonology&amp;search_type=&amp;aq=f</a></p> <p><a href="http://accent.gmu.edu/">http://accent.gmu.edu/</a></p> |



<http://www.otago.ac.nz/anthropology/Linguistic/Sounds/Sounds.html>  
<http://www.umanitoba.ca/faculties/arts/linguistics/russell/138/sec3/allophon.htm>  
<http://legacyweb.lsa.umich.edu/eli/micase/Audio/index.htm>

Morphology, syntax, and semantics:

<http://www.phon.ucl.ac.uk/home/dick/enc/morphology.htm>  
<http://www.phon.ucl.ac.uk/home/dick/enc/syntax.htm>  
<http://www.ucl.ac.uk/internet-grammar/home.htm>  
<http://wordnet.princeton.edu/>  
<http://www.phon.ucl.ac.uk/home/dick/enc/meaning.htm>  
<http://linguistlist.org/search/search-all-static7197.html?CFID=22424126&CFTOKEN=14124910>  
<http://web.ku.edu/idea/index.htm>  
<http://www.ic.arizona.edu/~lsp/>

Pragmatics, psycholinguistics, L2 learning, language history, and language variation:

[http://www.youtube.com/results?search\\_query=linguistic+link&search\\_type=](http://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=linguistic+link&search_type=)  
[http://www.youtube.com/results?search\\_query=linguistics+lecture&search\\_type=&aq=3&oq=lingui](http://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=linguistics+lecture&search_type=&aq=3&oq=lingui)  
<http://accent.gmu.edu/>  
<http://www.otago.ac.nz/anthropology/Linguistic/Sounds/Sounds.html>  
<http://legacyweb.lsa.umich.edu/eli/micase/Audio/index.htm>  
<http://www.ucl.ac.uk/internet-grammar/home.htm>  
<http://wordnet.princeton.edu/>  
<http://www.phon.ucl.ac.uk/home/dick/enc/meaning.htm>  
<http://linguistlist.org/search/search-all-static7197.html?CFID=22424126&CFTOKEN=14124910>  
<http://web.ku.edu/idea/index.htm>  
<http://www.ic.arizona.edu/~lsp/>  
<http://www8.georgetown.edu/departments/medieval/labyrinth/library/me/me.html>  
<http://homepage.ntlworld.com/vivian.c/SLA/Krashen.htm>  
<http://www.languageimpact.com/articles/rw/krashenbk.htm>

Dictionaries and glossaries:

<http://www.ling.lu.se/persons/Joost/Texts/glossary.pdf>  
<http://www.btranslations.com/resources/linguistics/linguisticsglossary/linguisticsglossary.asp>  
<http://sps.k12.mo.us/khs/linguistics/lingtrms.htm>  
<http://www.cs.bham.ac.uk/~pxc/nlpa/nlpgloss.html>  
<http://www.uni-essen.de/ELE/>  
<http://www.howjsay.com/>  
<http://www.visuwords.com>  
<http://www.word2word.com/dictionary.html>  
<http://www.yourdictionary.com/>  
[http://www.alphadictionary.com/directory/Specialty\\_Dictionaries/Linguistics/](http://www.alphadictionary.com/directory/Specialty_Dictionaries/Linguistics/)  
<http://idioms.thefreedictionary.com/>





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|                                 | <a href="http://www.phon.ucl.ac.uk/home/johnm/sid/sidhome.htm">http://www.phon.ucl.ac.uk/home/johnm/sid/sidhome.htm</a><br><a href="http://www.alphadictionary.com/index.shtml">http://www.alphadictionary.com/index.shtml</a><br><a href="http://www.askoxford.com/dictionaries/?view=uk">http://www.askoxford.com/dictionaries/?view=uk</a><br><a href="http://www.learnersdictionary.com/pronex/pronex.htm">http://www.learnersdictionary.com/pronex/pronex.htm</a> |
| <b>Other Learning Materials</b> | Infographic Software.  |

## 2. Facilities Required

| Item   | Resources                                   |
|--|---|
| <b>Accommodation</b><br>(Classrooms, laboratories, demonstration rooms/labs, etc.)   | Classrooms                                  |
| <b>Technology Resources</b><br>(AV, data show, Smart Board, software, etc.)  | E-podium system (computer and a projector). |
| <b>Other Resources</b><br>(Specify, e.g. if specific laboratory equipment is required, list requirements or attach a list) | none  |

## G. Course Quality Evaluation

| Evaluation Areas/Issues  | Evaluators  | Evaluation Methods   |
|--|---|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students' general standard in the course based on their test scores.</li> </ul>         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regular meetings to be held by the course co-ordinator.</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Workshops and training sessions to be held by the course coordinator.</li> </ul>  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assignments completed by the students in accordance with expected standards.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Examining the course/teacher evaluations at the quality assurance unit at the end of each semester.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Instructors are encouraged to attend/participate in professional conferences as well as to research and publish.</li> </ul> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tracking the students' progress and grades.</li> </ul>                                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Examining the students' grades by the department.</li> </ul>   | Direct   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Using anonymous students' feedback throughout semester.</li> </ul>                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evaluation of a sample exam by the department.</li> </ul>  | Direct   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students' evaluation of the course</li> </ul>   |   | Surveys- Indirect  |

**Evaluation areas** (e.g., Effectiveness of teaching and assessment, Extent of achievement of course learning outcomes, Quality of learning resources, etc.)

**Evaluators** (Students, Faculty, Program Leaders, Peer Reviewer, Others (specify))

**Assessment Methods** (Direct, Indirect)

## H. Specification Approval Data

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| <b>Council / Committee</b> | Applied Linguistics Program Committee (1)<br>Applied Linguistics Department Council (4)<br>College Council (4) |
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