

LING 102
Introduction to Language and Linguistics II
Spr'22 Syllabus

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Course description:

LING 102 is a sequel to LING 101. While LING 101 focuses on **language structure** in terms of the core areas (phonology, morphology, syntax and semantics) , this course focuses on **language use** from different perspectives and it explores the relationship between the language and its users. To this end, it covers interdisciplinary areas such as historical linguistics, sociolinguistics, pragmatics, psycholinguistics and so forth.

Materials:

Fromkin, V. , Rodman R. and N. Hymes, (2014) An Introduction to Language.
10th edition. Cengage Learning.
A selection of chapters / texts

Grading:

Attendance, participation and assignments 5 %
Three midterm exams 60 % (20% each)
Cumulative final exam 35 %
Passing grade is 55.

Weekly syllabus

Week 1: Feb 24

Overview of the course

Week 2: March 1-3

Historical linguistics

Reading: Fromkin & Rodman, ch. 8

Week 3: March 8-10

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Reading: Fromkin & Rodman, ch. 8

Week 4: March 15-17

Language contact (pidgins and creoles)

Reading: Fromkin & Rodman, pp: 301-11

Week 5: March 22-24

Quiz 1 (march 22)

Multilingualism, Language shift /loss / revival

Reading: Van Herk, 2012 ch 13

Week 6: March 29-31

Language variation based on social categories

Reading: Fromkin & Rodman, pp: 279-290 & 297-301

Week 7: April 5-7

Pragmatics (speech act theory)

Week 8: April 12-14

Quiz 2 (April 12)

Language acquisition

Reading: Fromkin & Rodman ch 9

Week 9: April 19-21

Language acquisition

Reading: Fromkin & Rodman ch 9

Week 10: April 26-28

Language and brain

Reading: Fromkin & Rodman ch 10

Week 11: May 2-7 Ramazan Bayramı- Spring break

Week 12: May 10-12

Quiz 3 (May 10)

Natural language processing

Week 13: May 17
TBA

Week 14: may 24
review