

Department of Linguistics Spring Term 2011

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LINGUISTICS 221-3
Introduction to Phonetics and Phonology

PREREQUISITE: LING 220

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course is an introduction to the sound structures of language. The first part of the course will cover aspects of articulatory phonetics exploring the mechanisms of human sound making. It will provide methods for the classification and transcription of speech sounds. The second part of the course will focus on the descriptive aspects of phonology with an emphasis on analyzing data from a wide range of languages. Techniques for problem solving will be introduced and practiced. Major themes to be covered include phonological features, phonological alternations, phonological rules and phonological representations. The course has as its objective the developing of skills for explaining phonological phenomena in a wide range of languages.

REQUIRED TEXTS:

Hayes, B. (2009). *Introductory Phonology*. Wiley-Blackwell.

RECOMMENDED TEXT:

Reetz, H. and Jongman, A. (2009). *Phonetics: Transcription, Production, Acoustics, and Perception*. Wiley-Blackwell.

Textbooks are available for purchase at the SFU Bookstore, Burnaby campus only.

COURSE GRADING:

Home Assignments: 30%
Mid-Term Exam: 30%
Final Exam: 40%

Students should familiarize themselves with the Department's **Standards on Class Management** and **Student Responsibilities** at http://www.sfu.ca/linguistics/undergraduate/standards.html.

Please note that effective May 1, 2009, a grade of "FD" may be assigned as a penalty for academic dishonesty.

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