

# DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS

## *Linguistics 321-3* **PHONOLOGY**

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**PREREQUISITE:** LING 221 or LING 310; Strongly recommended: ENGL 199 (University Writing)

#### **COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

This course will explore the foundations of phonological theory with reference to a variety of languages. Topics to be covered include: levels of phonological representations, feature geometry, prosodic phonology, and approaches to representing phonological stress and tone. Extensive practice and analytical work with language data will contribute to the understanding of theoretical issues. The objective of the course is an understanding of the current state of phonological research, and the developing of skills for explaining phonological phenomena in a wide variety of languages through applying current phonological theories.

#### **TEXTBOOKS:**

##### **Required:**

Carlos Gussenhoven and Haike Jacobs. *Understanding Phonology*. London: Arnold Publishing Ltd, 1998.

##### **Recommended:**

René Kager. *Optimality Theory*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1999.

Additional readings will be made available in class.

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

#### **GRADING:**

Homework assignments (4)	20%
Quizzes (2)	40%
Final Exam	40%

**It is strongly recommended that you see the Departmental Assistant regarding your degree requirements at least two semesters before you plan to graduate. Unless you meet both faculty and major/minor requirements, your graduation cannot be approved.**