

Introduction to Linguistics *Syllabus*

<i>Week</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>Lecture</i>	<i>Seminars</i>	<i>Preparation</i>
1	Week of 02/11	Introduction	The academic study of language:	Organization/administration	Follow-up reading: Bieswanger & Becker 2010: 1-10
2	week of 09/11	Speech and writing	Spoken and written language, types of writing systems, history of English orthography	Speech organs and speech-sound production, sounds vs. letters, reading the IPA	Please read Bieswanger & Becker 2010: 39-50 and watch video on "Speech and writing" If you want to read more about English writing system, read Rogers 2005: ch. 10
3	week of 16/11	Phonetics	Accents, dialects, varieties and standards	Describing speech sound	Please read Bieswanger & Becker 2010: 50-58 and watch video on "Phonetics" You can watch extra video(s) on "Phonetics" at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u7jQ8FELbIo and http://goo.gl/VQSoGB
4	week of 23/11	Segmental phonology	The linguistic sign; sense and reference, arbitrariness	Phoneme status, allophone distribution, neutralization	Please read Bieswanger & Becker 2010: 58-73 and watch the video(s) on "Segmental phonology"
5	week of 30/11	From phonology to morphology	Double articulation, morphological typology, periphrasis, limits of the building-block model	Syllable structure, morpheme status, conditioning of allomorphs, suppletion	Please read Bieswanger & Becker 2010: 75-95 and watch the video(s) on "From phonology to morphology"
6	week of 07/12	Morphology	The vocabulary of English	Derivation vs. inflection, roots, stems, affixes, conversion, resyllabification	Please read Bieswanger & Becker 2010: 75-95 and watch the video(s) on "Morphology" If you want to read more, read Plag et al. 2009: 70-88.
7	week of 14/12	Syntax I: Words and phrases	Word, phrase, constituents, constructions	Constituency and how to visualize it, phrase type, word classes	Please read Stefanowitsch & Middeke 2019 and watch the video(s) on "Syntax I"
8	week of 04/01	Syntax II: Grammatical relations and semantic roles	Head and modifier structure, valency, semantic roles	Grammatical relations, basic clause types, semantic roles, constructions	Please read Stefanowitsch & Middeke 2019 and watch the video(s) on "Syntax II" and "Constructions"

9	week of 11/01	Semantics I: Sentences	Propositions and truth conditions, entailments, information structure; semantic (non-)compositionality	Presupposition and entailment, topic and focus	Please read Bieswanger & Becker 2010: 141-150 and watch the video(s) on "Semantics I"
10	week of 18/01	Semantics II: Lexical semantics	Word meaning	Polysemy, lexical relations	Please read Bieswanger & Becker 2010: 127-141 and watch the video(s) on "Semantics II"
11	week of 25/01	Pragmatics	Speaker meaning and sentence meaning, language as action, the cooperative principle	Clause types and speech act types, Gricean maxims	Please read Bieswanger & Becker 2010: 151-170 and watch the video(s) on "Pragmatics"
12	week of 01/02	Text linguistics	Coherence and cohesion, text units	Text types	Please read Stefanowitsch 2020 and watch the video(s) on "Text linguistics"
13	week of 08/02	Special Topics: What we find interesting and/or what we work on	Quantitative corpus linguistics: three case studies	tba	tba
14	week of 15/02	Outlook: Empirical methods	A look ahead: AM Levels of Linguistic Analysis and AM History of English	tba	tba
15	week of 22/02	Tba			
