

Identification	Subject (code, title, credits)	LING 560 Morphology and Syntax 3KU-6ECTS
	Department	English Language and Literature
	Program (undergraduate, graduate)	MA graduate
	Term	Spring, 2024
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	Classroom/hours	4 hours
	Office hours	Mon – Fri from 8:30 to 14:00
Prerequisites	LING 215	
Language	English	
Compulsory/Elective	Compulsory	
Required textbooks and course materials	<p>Andrew Carstairs McCarthy, <i>An Introduction to English Morphology</i>. Edinburgh University Press Ltd., 2002.</p> <p>Jim Miller, <i>An Introduction to English Syntax</i>. Edinburgh University Press, 2002.</p> <p>Thomas E. Payne, <i>Introduction to Morphology and Syntax</i>. Cambridge University Press</p> <p>Nguyen Thuy Nga, <i>English Morphology and Syntax</i>.</p>	
Course website	-	
Course outline	This course deals with morphological and syntactic structure of Modern English in the light of theoretical problems in the field. It involves study of techniques for analyzing morphological and syntactic data, justifying relevant theories or finding out gaps in them.	
Course objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • gain a comprehensive view of current situation, existing problems in the study of morphology and syntax • prepare and make presentations in collaboration with group members on specific morphological and syntactic topics • develop a critical linguistic awareness in morphology and syntax 	
Learning outcomes	<p><i>In completion of this course, the student will be able to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • demonstrate critical awareness of the problems in morphology and syntax • analyze linguistic data and justify relevant theories • research various aspects of morphology and syntax • formulate and test hypotheses about relevant linguistic topics 	
Teaching methods	Lecture	+

	Group discussion		+
	Experiential exercise		
	Case analysis		+
	Simulation		
	Course paper		+
	Others		
Evaluation	Methods	Date/deadlines	Percentage (%)
	Midterm Exam		35
	Case studies		-
	Class Participation		5
	Activity		5
	Assignment and quizzes		-
	Language attitude project		10
	Group Discussion		10
	Final Exam		35
	Total		100
Policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students are expected to attend all elements of their courses unless they are sick or have permission of their School Dean. In general, to be eligible for taking exams students should not miss more than 25%. Field project data cannot be accepted late. Assignments or deadlines that are missed for travel, illness, or unexpected obligations may be made up by advance arrangement with the lecturer. Plagiarism is a serious academic offense that will result in your failing the course. Learning notes by heart and repeating the information word by word in the exam is a type of plagiarism. 		
Assessment /Policy	<p>Dear MA student, in this part of the Syllabus you will find answer to such questions like HOW and FOR WHAT you are going to get your grades.</p> <p>Class participation and group discussion. This course cannot be successful without your regular participation. You are expected and highly encouraged to ask questions, make comments, or disagree with what your fellow students or lecturer is saying. Following these rules, you can get 20 points (maximal). (participation – 5, activity – 5, group discussion – 10)</p> <p>Project /Oral Reporting During the semester, you will give one presentation on topic chosen by the lecturer. The project will be at least 6 pages on printed A4 sheets (Times New Roman 12). You will be expected to provide a quick oral report of your findings. For presentation/ project you can get 10 points (maximal).</p>		

		All above mentioned make 30 points maximal. The rest 70 points you can get at midterm and final exams . (35 points for each respectively)	
Tentative Schedule			
Week	Date/Day (tentative)	Topics	Textbook/Assignments /Reading
1	February	Lecture 1: Words, Sentences and Dictionaries <ul style="list-style-type: none">Words as meaningful building-blocks of languageWords as types and words as tokensWords with predictable meaningsNon-words with unpredictable meaningsWords versus lexical items	The text of the lecture and relevant textbooks
2	February	Lecture 2: A Word and Its Parts: Roots, Affixes and Their Shapes <ul style="list-style-type: none">Taking words apartKinds of morpheme: bound versus freeKinds of morpheme: root, affix, combining formMorphemes and their allomorphsIdentifying morphemes independently of meaningWays of classifying word-parts	The text of the lecture And relevant textbooks
3	Feb - Mar	Lecture 3: A Word and Its Forms: Inflection <ul style="list-style-type: none">Words and Grammar: lexemes, word-forms and grammatical wordsRegular and irregular inflectionForms of nounsForms of pronouns and determinersForms of verbsForms of adjectives	The text of the lecture And relevant textbooks
4	March	Lecture 4: A Word and Its Relatives: Derivation <ul style="list-style-type: none">Relationships between lexemesWord classes and conversionAdverbs derived from adjectivesNouns derived from nounsNouns derived from members of other word classesAdjectives derived from adjectivesAdjectives derived from members of other word classesVerbs derived from verbsVerbs derived from members of other word classes	The text of the lecture And relevant textbooks
5		Lecture 5: Compound Words, Blends and Phrasal Words	The text of the lecture And relevant textbooks

	March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compounds versus phrases • Compound verbs • Compound adjectives • Compound nouns • Headed and headless compounds • Blends and acronyms • Compounds containing bound combining forms • Phrasal words 	
6	Mar - Apr	Lecture 6: A Word and Its Structure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meaning and structure • Affixes as heads • More elaborate word forms: multiple affixation • More elaborate word forms: compounds within compounds • Apparent mismatches between meaning and structure 	The text of the lecture And relevant textbooks
7	April	Lecture 7: The Historical Sources of English Word Formation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Germanic, Romance and Greek vocabulary • The rarity of borrowed inflectional morphology • The reduction in inflectional morphology • Characteristics of Germanic and non-Germanic derivation • Fashions in morphology 	The text of the lecture And relevant textbooks
8	April	Midterm Examination	
9	April	Lecture 8: Heads and Modifiers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heads and modifiers • Heads, modifiers and meaning • Complements and adjuncts • Clauses • Dictionary entries and collocations • Verbs, complements and the order of phrases 	The text of the lecture And relevant textbooks
10	Apr - May	Lecture 9: Constituent Structure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heads, modifiers and arrangement of words • Tests for phrases • Phrases: words and slots • Coordination 	The text of the lecture And relevant textbooks
11	May	Lecture 10: Constructions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different constructions and different meanings • Types of construction • Relationships between constructions • Copula constructions 	The text of the lecture And relevant textbooks
12		Lecture 11: Clauses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clauses and sentences 	The text of the lecture

	May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Main and subordinate clauses • Complement clauses • Relative clauses • Adverbial clauses • Complementisers and subordinating conjunctions • Recognising clauses 	And relevant textbooks
13	May	Lecture 12: Grammatical Functions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject • Direct object • Oblique object and indirect object 	The text of the lecture And relevant textbooks
14	May	Lecture 13: Syntactic Linkage <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agreement • Government • Number and person linkage • Syntactic linkage in English • Number in English • Gender in English 	The text of the lecture And relevant textbooks
15	May	Lecture 14: Grammar and Semantics: Case, Gender, Mood, Aspect, Tense, Voice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Case • Gender • Mood • Aspect • Tense in English • Voice 	The text of the lecture And relevant textbooks
16	June	Final Examination	

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