

**Current courses:**

Phonology AN40027BA:

This course provides an introduction to generative phonological analysis to those who are genuinely interested in linguistics, but have no background in this field. While we will be primarily concerned with English, discussions will include examples from other languages as well as comments on cross-linguistic typologies.

The social and discourse aspects of language AN5303OMA/AN5020MA:

This course studies the relationship between language and society with a strong focus on English and its varieties. We will discuss topics ranging from multilingual communities and regional variation to language change and the interaction of social factors such as age, gender, class, and ethnicity with linguistic variation.

Vocabulary building AN11001BA/AN1100OMA:

The primary aim of this course is to expand students' vocabulary skills by studying and analyzing word elements belonging to the educated/formal register of the English lexicon. While keeping a strong focus on practical skills development, the lessons will also include discussions of relevant aspects of historical linguistics, morphology, and semantics.

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**Other courses taught:**

English pronunciation AN20001BA/AN006OMA:

This course examines the basic features of the Standard Southern British English pronunciation, and introduces basic phonological topics including the classification of sounds (based on function and phonetic properties), allophonic rules (e.g. L-darkening and aspiration), letter-to-sound correspondences, and some rules of prosody.

Grammar in context AN10004BA/AN103OMA:

The primary aim of this course is to investigate advanced topics of English grammar based on linguistic research. Most of the problems covered involve some type of linguistic variation whose conditioning factors are seldom described explicitly in traditional textbooks of English grammar. Students will be provided with a wide range of practical/analytical activities using corpora, multimedia materials, and other sources of 'real-life' language, based on which they can identify, examine, and practice grammatical structures influenced by complex factors.

Challenging grammar AN21003BA/AN1050MA/AN2104OMA:

This course can be thought of as the continuation of the first-year Grammar in Context course in that we will investigate advanced topics of English grammar based on linguistic research. The difference is that this time we will adopt a more theoretically-oriented perspective. The topics discussed range from syntactic and morphological problems to aspects of English phonology.

Presentation skills AN40028BA:

This course aims to improve students' presentation skills by introducing elements of graphic design, practicing how to prepare presentations in LaTeX, and providing practical tips to deliver effective and informative talks. At the end of the course, students will be able to create well-structured and easily-to-follow presentations, use various data visualization methods to illustrate information on slides, and will have mastered basic techniques of public speaking, e.g. the use of notes, building confidence, engaging various audiences, etc. Examples and in-class problems will be related to the field of linguistics, and students are expected to do their end-term presentation on a linguistic topic of their choice. Most of the in-class activities will require students to use computers.