

LINGUISTICS 9811a / 4490F: Dialectology. Fall 2019. Tuesday 9:30-12:30. UC 2120.

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This course offers students the opportunity to acquire a solid grasp of the fundamental theoretical concepts of dialectology as well as practical experience as developing scholars. Students are invited to deepen their knowledge in the field by carrying out a four-phase research project (annotated bibliography, abstract, in-class presentation, final paper) on a specific topic of particular interest to them chosen in consultation with the instructor (specific weightings of assignments will be discussed at the first class meeting). The course address areas such as the origins of dialectology and its relationship to other branches of linguistics, linguistic geography, dialectometry, urban dialectology (i.e. variationist sociolinguistics) and dialect topography. Materials and readings draw on a variety of languages and language families.

The language of instruction and required readings will be English but students have the option of submitting written work in English, French or Spanish. Students in French Studies are required to submit written work in French.

Proposed evaluation scheme:*

		<u>Dates</u> *
Phonological sketch (5-10 minutes)	(10%*)	
Critical annotated bibliography	(15%*)	
Abstract (conference-style)	(10%*)	
Research Presentation (20 / 15 minutes)	(20%*)	
Final research paper	(30%*)	
Participation/preparation/ discussion	(15%*)	
TOTAL	100%	

*To be determined (parenthetical % are from a previous similar course, given here e.g.)

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Please be sure to consult the following information and keep a copy of it for yourself:

http://www.uwo.ca/french/undergraduate/counselling/academic_information/index.html

Accommodation for Medical Illness

In all cases where accommodation is being sought for work totaling more than 10% of the final grade, students should go to their Faculty Academic Counselling, and not to the instructor, where it will be determined if accommodation is warranted and to acquire the appropriate paper work. For work worth less than 10% of the final grade, accommodation will normally take the form of reweighting other grades.

Support Services: Students who are in emotional/mental distress should refer to Mental Health WellBeing @Western http://uwo.ca/health/mental_wellbeing/index.html for a complete list of options about how to obtain help.

Statement on Plagiarism, Cheating and other Scholastic Offences

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