

# Phonology II (LING 201A)

Winter

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TR 10:00-11:50

## General Info

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## Description

This is the second course of the UCLA graduate sequence in phonological theory. See List of Topics at end of syllabus for what I hope to cover.

**Prerequisites:** *Ling 200A, or instructor permission.*

## Requirements

*Requirements are subject to adjustment pursuant to changes in circumstances of the COVID-19 pandemic*

- Readings: Class readings are posted on Perusall (course code MOORE-CANTWELL-DE429). Please use this platform to read and comment on the readings by 9am the day that the reading is due (So I have time to read your comments before class). My expectation is that you will write at least one comment or question on most articles, and that you will comment in depth on at least 5 articles (the ones you find most interesting?). 10% of your grade.
- Class participation: In-class discussion will be a large part of this course, and you will be required to participate in nearly every class. Two unexplained absences and two (additional) non-participatory days are allowed. Beyond that, please contact me if you have to miss class, or if you are unable to participate due to technical difficulties or other reasons. 10% of your grade.

- Assignments: Five homeworks: 30% of your grade
- Final Paper: A term paper, on any topic in phonology, due Friday of finals week. 50% of your grade.

## Accommodations Note

If you have a disability or ongoing medical condition, and require accommodations for this course, you should contact the Centre for Accessible Education (CAE), <https://www.cae.ucla.edu>. Other concessions can be made in this course in order to fully support you as a student and as a person. **Please let me know as soon as possible** if you need to miss class or assignments because of reasons such as physical illness or injury, mental health concerns, religious observance, work to support yourself or a family member, or caretaking responsibilities. For foreseeable conflicts, such as religious observance, you must notify me in advance, preferably at least one week in advance. For unforeseeable conflicts, like illness, injury, mental health concerns, or sudden changes in job/caretaking schedule, let me know as soon as possible.

## Approximate Schedule

*Subject to change!*

Week	Day	Date	Topic	Due
1	T	4 Jan	Metrical Stress Theory	
	R	6 Jan	Metrical Stress Theory	Hayes reading
2	T	11 Jan	Stress in OT	Ryan reading
	R	13 Jan	Factorial Typology	Gordon reading
	F	14 Jan		<b>HW 1 Due (Stress in OT)</b>
3	T	18 Jan	Richness of the Base	Smolensky reading
	R	20 Jan	Opacity	Bakovic reading

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4	T	25 Jan	Recursive Constraint Demotion	Tesar and Smolensky reading
	R	27 Jan	Harmonic Grammar and Connectionism	Farris-Trimble reading
	F	28 Jan		<b>HW 2 Due (RCD starting states and RotB)</b>
5	T	1 Feb	HG, Connectionism, and Perceptron update	Hayes and Londe paper
	R	3 Feb	Harmonic Serialism	McCarthy Reading
	F	4 Feb		<b>HW 3 Due (Factorial Typology)</b>
6	T	8 Feb	Variation: the data	Ernestus and Baayen reading
	R	10 Feb	MaxEnt and evidence for probabilistic grammar	Hayes and Wilson, sections 1-5
7	T	15 Feb	Fitting MaxEnt and more about learning algorithms	
	R	17 Feb	Exceptionality in OT	Zuraw paper
	F	18 Feb		<b>HW 4 Due (Perceptron vs. batch fitting)</b>

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8	T	22 Feb	Exceptionality in OT	Pater paper
	R	24 Feb	Bases and Paradigms	Steriade paper
9	T	1 Mar	Phonological Acquisition	Tessier reading
	R	3 Mar	Experimental phonology	Carpenter reading
10	T	8 Mar	Experimental Phonology	Zhang et al reading
	R	10 Mar	Wrap-up	
	F	11 Mar		<b>HW 5 Due (Propose an experiment)</b>