

The University of Calgary
Winter 2010

LINGUISTICS 407: MORPHOLOGY

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This course is an introduction to word-structure, with emphasis on description, analysis, and argumentation. Students will encounter morphological categories and processes found in languages of the world, further develop problem-solving skills, become aware of some major theoretical issues in the field, and further develop critical skills. Topics covered include Inflection, Word-Formation, Lexical Structure, and Paradigm Structure.

Prerequisite: LING 303. A minimum grade of C- in that course is required.

Course Text (required):

Haspelmath, M. 2002. *Understanding Morphology*. London: Arnold.

Other readings will be posted on the Blackboard site.

NB: We are advised that the textbook will not be available till the 3rd week in January. Assigned readings will be available on the Blackboard site.

Course Requirements:

Assignments (4)	30%	(#1 @ 6%; #2-4 @ 8%)
Midterm Examination		30%
Final Examination	40%	
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The final examination will be scheduled by the Registrar's Office during the Examinations Period.

Deadlines and Absences:

Examinations: There is no possibility of a make-up midterm examination. At the instructor's discretion, students who miss the test may have the weighting normally assigned to that item transferred to the final exam if they produce a valid excuse supported by appropriate documentation (valid excuses are: illness, domestic affliction, birth, and marriage). Unexcused absence will result in a mark of zero.

Assignments: All assignments are to be handed in on the designated due date. Late assignments will not be accepted without valid excuse as above, and will not be accepted after the hand-back date in any case.

Grading Scheme:

A+	95-100	B+	77-79	C+	67-69	D+	55-59
A	90-94	B	73-76	C	63-66	D	50-54
A-	80-89	B-	70-72	C-	60-62	F	<50

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Tentative Schedule

Chapters

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| 1. Introduction | Week 1 |
| 2. Basic Concepts | Week 1 |
| 3. Lexicon and Rules | Week 2 |
| 4. Inflection and Derivation Word-Formation | Weeks 3-5 |

Assignment 1: January 29th

Reading Week Week 6

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| 5. Morphological Trees | Week 7 |
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Assignment 2: February 24th

Midterm Examination: February 26th

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| 6. Productivity | Week 8 |
| 7. Inflectional Paradigms | Week 9 |
| 8. Words and Phrases | Week 10 |

Assignment 3: March 19th

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| 9. Word-based Rules | Week 11 |
| 10. Morphophonology | Week 12 |
| 11. Morphology and Valence | Week 13 |

Assignment 4: April 9th