

SIK529 Pragmatics
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Appointments: via email, office phone, or in person after class (no text messages, please ☺)

Course description: This course introduces the study of language use in interactions.

Course objectives: Upon completion of this course, students are expected to be able to:

- understand the definition and the scope of pragmatics;
- be familiar with the principles in pragmatics;
- analyze texts or conversations according to pragmatics principles.

Course format: lecture, in-class discussions, and group work

Course policies: It is crucial that students come to class regularly and fulfil the 75% attendance requirement. In accordance with the university policy, students who fail to fulfil the above requirement are not allowed to take the final test. Students who come 15 minutes late will be considered absent. Students who cannot come to class because of illness should contact the instructor ASAP.

Academic Honesty: Students are expected to submit their own work. In completing any written work, students MUST use appropriate citations for any information taken from books, web sites, or any other sources of information. Academic scholarship requires that a person acknowledges the work of other scholars by citing their work properly.

Primary Text:

Yule, G. (1996). *Pragmatics*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Additional Source:

Birner, B. J. (2013). *Introduction to pragmatics*. West Sussex, UK: John Wiley & Sons

Mey, J. L. (2001). *Pragmatics: An Introduction*. Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishers Ltd.

Wierzbicka, A. (2003). *Cross-Cultural Pragmatics: The Semantics of Human Interaction* (2nd ed.). Berlin: Walter de Gruyter GmbH & Co.

Yule, G. (1996). *Pragmatics*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Concerns: If you have any concerns regarding the teaching materials, assignments, or anything about this class, you are welcome to see me after class or make an appointment to resolve your concerns.

Course Outlines

Week	Topics
1	Introduction to course
2	Defining Pragmatics Deixis and distance
3	Deixis and distance Reference and inference
4	Cooperation and flouting of maxims
5	Cooperation and flouting of maxims Researching Gricean maxims
6	Poster Presentation

7	Midterm
8	Speech Acts
9	Speech Acts
10	Researching speech acts: Request strategies
11	Researching speech acts: Apologizing, complimenting
12	Poster presentation
13	Politeness
14	Politeness Researching politeness
15	Poster presentation
16	Final test: Proposal on Pragmatics

Course evaluations:

Class Participation	25%
Group work/quizzes	25%
Mid-term test (written)	25%
Final test (written)	25%

Class participation: The grades for class participation will be taken from the attendance and the participation in group work/quizzes.

Midterm and final tests: There will be written midterm and final tests. A review sheet will be distributed before the test.

Academic Honesty: I highly encourage students to collaborate with other students when they work on their assignments. However, students **MUST** submit their own written work for individual assignments. In completing any written work, students **MUST** use appropriate citations for any information taken from books, web sites, or any other sources of information. Academic scholarship requires that a person acknowledges the work of other scholars by citing their work properly.