Linguistics 201 – Introduction to Linguistic Theory Fall 2007 – Section D

Class Meeting Times: Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:30 - 10:45 Meeting Place: Bartlett Hall 109 Class Website: people.umass.edu/janderss/ling201 Instructor Name: lan Anderssen Email: jan@linguist.umass.edu Website: people.umass.edu/janderss AIM (rarely on): ling201jan Office: South College #305 (old red brick building east of the W.E.B. library) Office hours: Wednesdays 2 – 4 and by appointment Tentative Schedule September 4 [Tu] 6 [Th] II [Tu] 13 [Th] 18 [Tu] 20 [Th] 25 [Tu] 27 [Th] First day quiz I morphology of classes October 9 [Tu] II [Th] 25 [Th] 2 [Tu] 4 [Th] 16 [Tu] 18 [Th] 23 [Tu] 30 [Tu] No class quiz 2 Monday phonetics phonology schedule November 22 [Th] 8 [Th] 13 [Tu] 15 [Th] 27 [Tu] I [Th] 6 [Tu] 20 [Tu] 29 [Th] No class quiz 3 - Thankscont'd svntax giving December

6 [Th]

semantics/pragmatics

II [Tu]

13 [Th]

Last class

4 [Tu]

Grading

Exams [55%]: 3 in class quizzes 12.5% each, I cumulative final 17.5%. I will try to stick to the dates on the schedule, however

Finals week: Dec. 17-22, Snow day: 24

Final grades due: Jan. 2

of classes: 28

Assignments [40%]: approximately 5-6 homeworks, usually handed out on Thursdays, and due on the following Tuesdays. **No late homeworks except with approval before the due date!**

Attendance & participation [5%]: While there is no strict attendance policy for this class, it's generally hard to do well if you don't attend, since we don't follow a text book. Participation will account for about 5% of your grade.

Collaboration, Cheating, Academic Honesty

Collaboration on the homeworks is allowed under two conditions: a) you state on the homework who you collaborated with (to acknowledge other peoples work, and to make it easier for me to grade) and b) you write up the solution yourself, using your own words, and your own examples, i.e. you can explain the solution to someone, but you can't write it for them and vice versa.

No collaboration on any quizzes and exams. Collaboration or copying on the quizzes and exams is considered cheating, and may lead to you failing the exam or the class.

If in doubt about any issues of academic honesty, just ask. Your always welcome to refer to work that is not yours in your homework assignments, given that you cite the source properly.

Text book

There's no one book we'll be following closely. I'll make the required readings available, and can scan some additional ones for further background reading. Always let me know what you're missing, or whether you'd want to read some more, and I'll try to make something available.

You can shape the class

There are some topics we will (have to) cover, but in general this is a class that is supposed to introduce you to the stunning language capability, and to ways in which people have tried to describe it. So if there's anything you've been thinking about, things about language you noticed, or read about, feel free to bring it up, either to me or in class, and we can see if and how it relates to the things we've been talking about.

I of course also highly encourage you to ask any type of question in class. The more interactive class is, the better.