Professor: Dr. Emily Krasinski

Course title: Acquisition of English

Course code: INGL 6507


This course deals with theories of language acquisition with a focus on English. The first part of the course concerns first language while the second concerns second language.

Report: You will give a short (10 min. max), oral presentation of a journal article on first language acquisition. You will prepare a handout for class. You will give me a photocopy of the article, and a written version of your talk.

Exams: You will have a midterm on first language acquisition and a final on second language acquisition.

Research Project: You will design (you may replicate) and carry out a study on first or second language acquisition. You will create a handout, present your project orally (10 to 20 min. max), and hand in the written version. More detailed guidelines will be given to you.

Participation: After each assigned reading, you will write a short reaction paper, which you will turn in (or e-mail). I will give you feedback and we may discuss your reaction in class. Your reaction paper will answer the following:

1. What are the main points of the reading? (Give a very brief outline or summary.)
2. What struck you as particularly interesting?
3. What puzzled you?
4. What additional thoughts or questions come to mind, if any?

Evaluation: Your grade will be determined as follows:

  - Report – 20%
  - Exams – 40% (20% each)
  - Reaction papers – 20%
  - Research paper – 20%

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