

# Program in Linguistics

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## Welcome to the Linguistics Newsletter

We in the Interdisciplinary Program in Linguistics use this vehicle to pass on information we think will be useful to you, such as announcements of events, conferences, or scholarships and news about course offerings in linguistics.

### Linguistics Lecture Mini-Series Fall 2004

- o **Monday, 13 September**, 5 pm in McClung Tower 1210-1211  
Aleka Blackwell, Middle Tennessee State University,  
presents:  
**"Early Lexical Development: Input, Semantic  
Transparency, or Cognitive Biases?"**

#### Abstract

The word lies at the core of language acquisition, so the study of how words are acquired by young children is essential to our understanding of how children develop language. What factors influence word learning? What determines which words are acquired early and which are acquired late? How does lexical development relate to properties of the input, properties of the words, and properties of the child's mind? This talk addresses these questions by examining the acquisition of English adjectives by two children from age two to age five.

- o **Wednesday, 13 October** (time and place to be announced)  
Jeannette Allsopp, University of the West Indies  
***An Introduction to Caribbean Languages***
- o **Wednesday, 10 November**, 5 pm McClung Tower 1210-1211  
Jeffrey Davis, University of Tennessee, ASL and Deaf  
Studies, *Theory and Practice in Teacher Education*  
***"Native American Sign Language: A Historical and  
Linguistic Account"***

All events are free and open to the public. Be sure to arrive before 5pm for the McClung Tower events so that the elevator doors will still be open.

### Upcoming Courses

#### Spring 2005

Linguistics 200 Introduction to Linguistics	Dumas
Linguistics 477 Pedagogical Grammar for ESL Teachers	Leki
Linguistics 490 Legal Studies/Linguistics	Dumas
MFL 430 Applied Linguistics and SLA	Young
Spanish 421 Phonetics	Gregory

We will be posting descriptions of these Spring 2005 courses on the linguistics website (<http://web.utk.edu/~linguistics>) once registration starts.

### Other courses of interest:

#### Spring 2005

FL/ESL Ed 578 ESL Methods II (pre-req: FL/ESL Ed 587)	Davis-Wiley
TPTE 595 ESL Assessment and Evaluation	Brown
ASP 306 Anatomy and Physiology of Speech	Saltuklaroglu
ASP 555 Multicultural Issues in Speech Pathology	Munoz/Horton-kard

ASP 601 Acoustic Phonetics	Erickson
Classics 122 Elementary Ancient Greek (part 2)	Sklenar
EI 435 Linguistics of American Sign Language	Davis
TPTE 493 Independent Study	Davis

#### Fall 2005

MFL 512 Teaching a Foreign Language	Young
TPTE 695 Multilingualism and Multiculturalism	Brown
ASP 302 Acoustics and Perception	Erickson
ASP 305 Phonetics	Flipsen
ASP 306 Anatomy and Physiology of Speech	Saltuklaroglu
ASP 320 Normal Language Development	
ASP 461 Intro to Language Pathologies in Children	Swanson
ASP 506 Neural Bases of Speech and Language	Munoz
ASP 516 Language Sample Analysis	Horton-Ikard
TPTE 493 Independent Study	Davis

#### Conference Information:

- o **SECOL LXXI** 14-16 Nov. in Roanoke, VA (w/SAMLA 2004).  
See:  
[http://www.uncc.edu/colleges/arts\\_and\\_sciences/language/secol/callpapr.htm](http://www.uncc.edu/colleges/arts_and_sciences/language/secol/callpapr.htm)
- o **11th annual Sol Adler Memorial Conference** 1 Nov (8-5pm, UT Conference Center. Speaker: Dr Kathy Drager, Penn State U, on Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC). (Geared for speech pathologists but may be of interest to others who want to learn about dealing with non-speaking individuals.)
- o **TNTESOL** 17-19 March in Clarksville, TN. Featured speaker Stephen Krashen! See <http://www.tntesol.org/conferences>.

#### Certificate in Linguistics

The Certificate in Linguistics program offers graduate students the opportunity to acquire a certificate of study in linguistics with 18 hours of course work. See our website or the graduate catalogue for more information. (Please note that no more than six credit hours accumulated before admission to the program can be counted toward the certificate. For more information visit the Linguistics Program website at [www.utk.edu/linguistics](http://www.utk.edu/linguistics))

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