Semantics 1
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where: Rolfe 3112
when: Tuesdays/Thursdays, 9–11a

expectations:
• weekly reading
• weekly homework
• one in-class presentation of an article
• one of the following end-of-quarter options:
  – a long (10–20p) term paper on a topic of your choice; or
  – a short (5–10p) term paper and a final exam

reading details
• Heim & Kratzer’s *Semantics in Generative Grammar*
• historic articles in semantics, pragmatics and the philosophy of language (available on the course CCLE website)
• supplements: *Formal Semantics: essential readings* by Portner & Partee
  *Logic in Linguistics* by Alwood, Andersson and Dahl (introductory)
  *An Introduction to Montague Semantics* by Dowty, Wall & Peters (advanced)

homework details
• homework will be assigned on Thursdays and due the following Tuesday
• you may discuss the assignments in groups, but:
  – complete them on your own;
  – indicate to me who you worked with.
• bring homework with you to class on Tuesday. We will start each class by grading the homework together, so it’s important that you’re on time.

paper details
• final paper due Friday, March 20
• all final papers must be discussed with me in a scheduled meeting before March 1.
tentative schedule

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References


