Syllabus: Introduction to General Phonetics

Prerequisite: Linguistics 20 or equivalent

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                in ASUCLA bookstore, and also on reserve in Powell Library

Grading and Assignments

- 3 quizzes, each worth 10% of the final grade. Dates: Thurs. 10/18, Tues. 11/13, Thurs. 12/6
- 4 required homeworks, worth a total of 14% of the final grade. We anticipate that 12/7
  Class participation (practicing the sounds in class and in section), 2%
- A final individual practical exam, worth 15% of the final grade, given by appointment in
  my office Wed. 12/12 and Thurs. 12/13.
- A preliminary report on the term project, 2% of the final grade, due Thurs., 10/25
- A preliminary version of your recording script, 2% of the final grade, due Thurs., 11/8.
- A term project worth 35% of the final grade, due Monday, 12/10.

Rules and Regulations

- Any student who plagiarizes or otherwise cheats will be reported to the Dean of Students.
- We may take off credit for late work, though we won’t do this if you have a good reason
  such as illness.
- Grades will be changed only in the case of genuine, straightforward errors, not on matters
  of judgment.
- Grading will be done on a curve (median in the upper B+ range).
- If you are sick on the day of a quiz, you must telephone me (310 825-9507) before the quiz
  starts in order to qualify for a make-up. There is an answering machine in my office.

Sections: (You have to be enrolled in a section to take the course).

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Web site: http://www.linguistics.ucla.edu/people/hayes/103/
Topics (follows Ladefoged text, but in a different order)

- Articulatory phonetics
- Phonology and phonetic transcription
- Place and manner of articulation
- Vowels and vowel-like articulations
- Syllables and suprasegmental features
- Airstream mechanisms and phonation types
- Acoustic phonetics
- The consonants of English
- English vowels
- English words and sentences
- Linguistic phonetics

Reserve readings

- Comrie, Bernard (ed.) 1990. *The World's Major Languages*. Nice basic descriptive chapters on quite a few languages, often a good start for your term project. (You can also learn if Bernard Comrie thinks your language is major!)
- Pullum, Geoffrey and William Ladusaw. 1996. *Phonetic Symbol Guide*, 2nd ed. Great for study, and also you can use it to translate almost any non-IPA symbol in IPA, which will help for your term paper. Note: don’t ever use the first edition; it’s for an obsolete version of the IPA.

Full reserve list, including possible language sources for term papers: go to MyUCLA and follow the link.