

Ling 254: Acquisition of Semantics

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Time: Mondays 10am-1pm**Location:** Haines A78**Website:** <https://ccle.ucla.edu/course/view/12S-LING254A-1>**Office hours:** by appointment**Expectations:**

Students enrolled for 2 credits are expected to attend class and present a paper.

Those enrolled for 4 credits are expected to attend class, present a paper and write a term paper.

Papers are due via email to both Nina & Jessica Friday June 15. You are to meet with either Nina or Jessica to discuss paper topics at least once before June 1.

Schedule:

Wk	Date	Topic	Reading
1	April 2	Definite determiners	Van Hout et al 2008; Schaeffer & Matthewson 2005
2	April 9	Maximality	<i>Semantics:</i> Jacobson 1995; (Caponigro 2004) <i>Acquisition:</i> Modyanova and Wexler 2008; Munn et al. 2006; Caponigro et al 2012
3	Apr 16	Epistemic modals	<i>Semantics:</i> Heim & von Stechow 2000 Ch 3; von Stechow & Gillies 2007 <i>Acquisition:</i> Noveck et al. 1996; Papafragou 1998
4	Apr 23	Evidentials	<i>Semantics:</i> Izvorski 1995; Matthewson 2011 <i>Acquisition:</i> Ozturk & Papafragou 2008; Koring & de Mulder 2011
5	Apr 30	Scalar implicature	<i>Semantics:</i> Chierchia et al. 2009; Russell 2006 <i>Acquisition:</i> Noveck 2001; Papafragou & Tantalou 2004; Miller et al 2005
6	May 7	Numbers	<i>Semantics:</i> Geurts 2006; Breheny 2008 <i>Acquisition:</i> Barner & Bachrach 2010; Syrett et al 2012
7	May 14	Adjectives	<i>Semantics:</i> Kennedy 1999 Ch 1; Rotstein & Winter 2004 <i>Acquisition:</i> Waxman & Booth 2001; Syrett et al 2006; Syrett et al 2009
8	May 21	Mass/count distinction	<i>Semantics:</i> Chierchia 1998; Schwarzschild 2009 <i>Acquisition:</i> Barner & Snedeker 2005; Barner et al. 2008 & 2010
9	May 28	<i>Class canceled</i>	
10	June 4	Universal quantifiers	<i>Semantics:</i> Lewis 1975; Chierchia 1992; Brasoveanu 2008 <i>Acquisition:</i> Crain et al 1996; Yatsushiro 2008

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