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1 Course description
This course provides an introduction to morphological theory and analysis to students with
some background in formal linguistics. Emphasis is on theory construction via hypothesis
formation and testing, and on the development of problem solving skills. Having begun
with the main “classic” concepts of morphological representation and derivation, we will
move on to talking about more formal approaches to word structure and formation couched
in terms of the Minimalist framework. Second half of the course will be concerned with
one of the major current formal morphological frameworks, Distributed Morphology, and its
applications to particular problems.

2 Course materials
• Textbook (available at McGill bookstore): Matthews, Peter H. 1991. Morphology,

• Additional readings (posted in MyCourses) including but not limited to the following:
  – Lieber, Rochelle. 2010. Introducing Morphology. (Selected chapters.)
    (Section 3.4.1.)
    study of Salish articles.

- Lecture slides and/or handouts will be posted in MyCourses after each class.

3 Requirements and Assessment

- 4 Homework Assignments, 40% (10% each)
  - Assignments will be available in MyCourses by 10 am on the date indicated in the schedule.
- Midterm Exam 30%
- Final Exam 30%

3.1 Note regarding homework assignments, exam, and quizzes

- All assignments are due at the beginning of class on the appointed date. If you miss class, you can drop your assignment on the due date in the mailbox with “Simonenko” name on it in room 111, 1085 Penfield. Assignments will not be accepted past the due date, unless you have a documented medical excuse. It is recommended that you always keep a copy of your finished assignment in case the assignment is accidentally lost.
- No make-up assignments or quizzes will be given to anyone who does not have a certified medical excuse.
- According to Senate regulations, instructors are not permitted to make special arrangements for final exams. Please consult the Calendar, section 3.7, General University Information and Regulations. (See http://www.mcgill.ca/student-records/exam/regulations for more information on final and deferred exams.)

4 Academic Integrity

McGill University values academic integrity. Therefore all students must understand the meaning and consequences of cheating, plagiarism and other academic offences under the Code of Student Conduct and Disciplinary Procedures (see www.mcgill.ca/students/srr/honest for more information).

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5 Course outline (subject to updates and changes)


**WEEK 2**


**WEEK 3**


**WEEK 4**


**WEEK 5**


**WEEK 6**

- M Oct 8. THANKSGIVING DAY. No class.

**WEEK 7**


WEEK 8


WEEK 9


WEEK 10

• M Nov 5. Distributed Morphology – Derivational. Operations. Reading TBA.


WEEK 11


WEEK 12


WEEK 13

• M Nov 26. Distributed Morphology. Case study: TBA.

• W Nov 28. Distributed Morphology. Case study: TBA.

• F Nov 30. Review (Alexandra Simonenko).

WEEK 14

• M Dec 3. Review (Alex Drummond).

MIDTERM and FINAL dates TBA.