

Psyc 321

Psycholinguistics

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Tuesday 1:00 – 2:30

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Readings on Moodle

Activities	25%
Midterm (March 6)	40%
Final Paper	

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. 1. Describe what four (4) of the following terms mean.

To answer this type of question well you should: a) define the term and b) say why it is important or give an example of its use.

duality of patterning

- A feature of a communication system in which a small number of meaningless units can be combined into a large number of meaningful units. Thus, the patterns in language signals occur on two levels.

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- describe the major linguistic and psychological approaches that have influenced psycholinguistic research and theory.

. Section III Answer the following question

This is the only question with no choice. There is no single way to answer a question in this section. I often give high marks for very different approaches to the question (i.e., two answers that take the opposite stands on an issue can both get high marks). I give higher marks to clear answers that use the course material to illustrate and support the argument.

1. Is language a uniquely human ability? Include evidence from some of the following areas: language acquisition, cross-species research, speech perception and production, semantic memory, and discourse processing.

The paper will be evaluated according to the following criteria (35 marks):

- comprehensiveness, accuracy, use of current and relevant research
- clear identified units of thought, elaboration (adequate explanation)
- correct English grammar and spelling, clarity and coherence

Maximum 10 pages plus references.

DATE	TOPIC
Jan. 7, 9, 14	Introduction
Jan. 16, 21	Speech Perception
Jan. 23	Visible Speech
Jan. 28, 30	Internal Lexicon
Feb. 4, 6	Sentence Processing
Feb. 11, 13	Discourse Processing **
March 4	Conversation
March 11	Voicing continuum/categorical perception
March 13	Lexical Processing
March 18	Errors in Speech Production
March 20, 25	Sentence Processing and Eye Movements
March 27	Translation
April 1, 3	Conversation

