

Linguistics/Sociology 273A
Language and the Body
Lerner/Thompson
Winter 2010

Syllabus

Week 1 (Jan. 8): Overview & Introduction

Reading: Fox
Schegloff 1
{Schegloff 2} *Items in {} = background reading*

(Assignment 1a

for Jan. 15: Look at class video and find about 3 to 5 seconds that you'd like to work with, make a video clip and save it in your Lang/Body folder on the server
(Nothing to hand in, but be ready to show clip to class)

Week 2 (Jan. 15): Visible action and issues of transcription

Reading: Goodwin 1
Lerner/Raymond
{Streeck/Knapp}

{Handout on depicting visible action}

Assignment 1a 'due': Show class what 5 seconds you'll be looking at and why you like it

(Assignment 1b

for Jan. 22: Depicting & describing visible conduct)

Week 3 (Jan. 22): Gesturing 1

Reading: Sacks/Schegloff
Turk
{Streeck}

Assignment 1b due

Week 4 (Jan. 29): Gesturing 2

Reading: Streeck and Hartge
Mondada
{Lerner 1}
{Schegloff 2}

**(Assignment 2
for Feb. 12: Begin Data Search for Course Project
(Two short proposals due Feb. 12, in case one of your
candidates isn't feasible in the time period available.))**

Week 5 (Feb. 5): Gazing practices

Sidnell
Haddington
{Goodwin 2}
{Streeck} (again, on gaze)

Week 6 (Feb. 12): Body and Posture in action

Reading: Schegloff 3
Kendon
{Stivers}

Assignment 2 due: Student Presentations of two possible research topics; Be prepared to show at least 1 clip for each topic; Hand in two short proposals (including some analysis of data).

**(Assignment 3
for Mar. 19: Course Research Project Report)**

Week 7 (Feb. 19): Work on student projects

Week 8 (Feb. 26): Work on student projects

Week 9 (Mar. 5): Presentation of student projects (for 273A students)

Week 10 (Mar. 12) Presentation of student projects (for 273AB students)

Week 11 (Mar. 19 - last day of finals): Assignment 3 due: Final written project reports

- Students taking 273A only should turn in a 5 to 10 page research report.
- Students taking 273AB should turn in a research proposal (including brief analyses of at least two data extracts) for the paper they will be writing during 273B in the Spring Quarter. Note that 273B is mostly a “writing course” and so we will only meet occasionally as a group during Spring term.