



The University of Jordan

Accreditation & Quality Assurance Center

COURSE Syllabus

1	Course title	Phonological Theory
2	Course number	2201734
3	Credit hours (theory, practical)	3
	Contact hours (theory, practical)	3
4	Prerequisites/corequisites	---
5	Program title	Master in Linguistics
6	Program code	---
7	Awarding institution	The University of Jordan
8	Faculty	The Faculty of Foreign Languages
9	Department	Department of English Languages
10	Level of course	Second year
11	Year of study and semester (s)	2015/First Semester
12	Final Qualification	
13	Other department (s) involved in teaching the course	---
14	Language of Instruction	English
15	Date of production/revision	2015

16. Course Coordinator:

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17. Other instructors:

18. Course Description:

This course aims at introducing a subdiscipline of linguistics, phonology, which handles the organization of speech sounds in the language, how a language organizes sounds into systematic patterns and how speakers internalize knowledge of these patterns as a system of symbolic rules and representations. The fundamentals of the sound systems of the language are covered: segmental representation and distinctive features theory, syllable structures, prosodic domains and stress features. There is a concentration on the classical and current trends in generative phonology and there will be an introduction to the recent developments in phonological theory

20. Topic Outline and Schedule:

Topic
- General introduction :phonetics and phonology
- Phonetics: segmental and suprasegmental features
-Phonology and universal grammar; naturalness in phonology
-Phonemic analysis and problem solving
- Linear phonology
- Recent developments in distinctive features, feature geometry, redundancy, and underspecification
- Nonlinear phonology: autosegmental phonology
- Phonological processes in different phonological approaches
- Phonological rules and domain
- Syllable and syllabification
-Optimality

21. Teaching Methods and Assignments:

Lectures and assignments

22. Evaluation Methods and Course Requirements:

Opportunities to demonstrate achievement of the ILOs are provided through the following assessment methods and requirements:

25. References:

A- Required book (s), assigned reading and audio-visuals:
 Spencer, A. 1996. Phonology. Oxford: Blackwell
 Katamba, F. 1993. An Introduction to Phonology. New York: Longman
 Archangeli, D. and Langendon, T. 1997. Optimality Theory. Oxford: Blackwell.
 Kager. R. 1999. Optimality Theory. Cambridge: CUP.
 Selected articles and books which will be used as recommended readings and will be referred to in the appropriate time and place during the semester
 Selected problems from natural languages

Name of Course Coordinator: -----Signature: ----- Date: -----

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