

ENG 195, LENG 195
English Phonetics and Phonology Spring 2017
Information Sheet (Updated)

English Phonetics and Phonology

English Phonetics and Phonology is a one-semester module giving 15 sp. The module provides a basic introduction to English phonetics and phonology.

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Teaching hours

Lectures:

Tuesday 10-12	Room AR Ø-120 (OT, NW, KVT)
Wednesday 10-12	Room AR Ø-120 (OT, NW, KVT)

Seminars ('tutorials'/'groups'):

Group 1 GA	Wednesday 12-1	Room HG P-230 (NW)
Group 2 GA	Wednesday 1-2	Room HG P-230 (NW)
Group 3 RP	Wednesday 12-1	Room HG P-231 (OT)
Group 4 RP	Wednesday 1-2	Room HG P-231 (OT)

The teaching weeks are: 2–8, 11–14, 16. There is *no teaching* of this module in weeks 9 (school holiday) and 15 (Easter), and Tuesday 7 March (week 10) is a university-wide teaching-free day. *A revision session will be offered before the final exam.*

First meeting and groups

The first lecture takes place from **1015-1200 on Tuesday, 10 Jan 2017 in Room AR Ø-120**. Seminars ('tutorials'/'groups') start in week 3.

A list of who is assigned to which group will be posted on It's Learning in week 2 – make sure to check which group you are in! It is *not* possible to attend the meetings of any other group than the one you are assigned to. You are required to attend at least five seminars ('tutorials'/'groups') to be able to sit the exam (cf. http://www.uis.no/studies/study-courses/?code=ENG195_1). Your instructor will take attendance.

Timetable

<u>Week</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Chapters in Textbook</u>
2	Tu 10.1.	Written and Spoken English 1(2) [OT]	1
2	Wd 11.1.	WaSE 2(2); Sound Production [OT]	1, 2
3	Tu 17.1.	Language and Speech 1(2) [OT]	3
3	Wd 18.1.	LaS 2(2); The Syllable [OT] [+ seminar]	3, 4
4	Tu 24.1.	Consonants 1(4) [KVT]	5
4	Wd 25.1.	Consonants 2(4) [KVT] [+ seminar]	5
5	Tu 31.1.	Consonants 3(4) [KVT]	5
5	Wd 1.2.	Consonants 4(4) [KVT] [+ seminar]	5
6	Tu 7.2.	Vowels 1(4) [KVT]	6
6	Wd 8.2.	Vowels 2(4) [KVT] [+ seminar]	6
7	Tu 14.2.	Vowels 3(4) [KVT]	6
7	Wd 15.2.	Vowels 4(4) [KVT] [+ seminar]	6
8	Mo 20.2.	Deadline: First Assignment	1-5
8	Tu 21.2.	Stress 1(2) [NW]	7
8	Wd 22.2.	Stress 2(2) [NW] [+ seminar]	7
9	<i>Reading Week</i>	<i>no classes</i>	
10	<i>Open Day</i>	<i>no classes</i>	
10	Wd 8.3.	Revision [NW] [+ seminar]	1-7
11	Mo 13.3.	Deadline: Second Assignment	6-7
11	Tu 14.3.	Words in Connected Speech 1(3) [NW]	8
11	Wd 15.3	Words in Connected Speech 2(3) [NW] [+ seminar]	8
12	Tu 21.3.	Words in Connected Speech 3(3) [NW]	8
12	Wd 22.3. (9-13)	Midterm Exam	1-7
13	Tu 28.3.	Comparison between RP and GA [NW]	9
13	Wd 29.3.	Intonation 1(3) [NW] [+ seminar]	11
14	Tu 4.4.	Intonation 2(3) [NW]	11
14	Wd 5.4.	Intonation 3(3) [NW] [+ seminar]	11
15	<i>Easter Week</i>	<i>no classes</i>	
16	Tu 18.4.	World Englishes 1(2) [NW]	10
16	Wd 19.4.	World Englishes 2(2) [NW] [+ seminar]	10
16	Th 20.4.	Deadline: Third Assignment	8-9, 11
17	<i>York Study Trip</i>	<i>no classes</i>	
18	<i>York Study Trip</i>	<i>no classes</i>	
19	Tu 9.5.	Revision [NW]	8-11
20	Mo 15.5.-Fr 19.5.	Oral Exams	
21	Mo 22.5.-Fr 26.5.	Oral Exams	

Relevant chapters in the textbook are indicated for each lecture (TSN = Thor Sigurd Nilsen, *English Pronunciation and Intonation: British, American and World Englishes*). This does not mean that you must prepare for the lectures, but it is a good idea to read through the chapters either before or after the related lecture.

Textbook:

Nilsen, Thor Sigurd. 2010. *English Pronunciation and Intonation: British, American and World Englishes*. 3rd ed. Oslo: Universitetsforlaget AS.

For continuous reference:

Wells, J. C. 2008. *Longman Pronunciation Dictionary*. 3rd ed. Harlow: Pearson Education Limited.

TSN and Wells are available from the bookshop on campus. Any additional material (“compendium”) will be downloadable from It’s Learning.

Note! Reading the book is *not* a substitute for skipping class. The reading, TSN in particular, is very detailed, and the meetings will provide the main points of focus. Also, phonetics is a hands-on subject that is virtually impossible to learn from books only.

Evaluation

The evaluation of the module is based on:

- A midterm written examination (weight 1/3) (Wednesday, 22 March)
- An oral examination at the end of the course (weight 2/3); (weeks 20-21, 15-26 May)

Other written work

Apart from the above tasks, which are evaluated and count towards your final mark, the following written work will be distributed during the course:

- Exercises in phonemic transcription (weekly onwards)
- Three written assignments (posted two weeks before each deadline)

The exercises are not evaluated, but are meant to give you a chance to practise and learn from your mistakes. It is very important that you do them, as they give you the practice necessary for completing your course successfully. The transcriptions will appear on It’s Learning, and a key for each one will appear the following week along with the next one. The written assignments, on the other hand, are evaluated. You must pass them to be able to sit the exam.

It’s Learning and handouts

As with other courses, It’s Learning will be used as a medium of communication, and you should check the course page as well as Oliver Traxel’s homepage on a regular basis. The handout for each week will be posted a week before each seminar.