

AJ52017 Topics in Linguistics: PHONETICS AND PHONOLOGY Autumn 2016

Sessions: Room G02, 1410-1540,
Oct. 7 and 21, Nov. 4, Dec. 2 and 16.

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Compulsory listening:

J.C.Wells – Accents of English *in IS Study Materials*

Collins and Mees – Practical Phonetics and Phonology *in IS Study
Materials, with tapecripts*

YouTube: The English Language in 24 Accents
21 Accents by Amy Walker
Educating Rita Part 1

Literature:

- Gimson's Pronunciation of English or any other good reference book
- Phonetics and sociolinguistic terminology
- Accents of English by J.C.Wells, chapters presented in class
- The Social Stratification of /r/ in New York City Department Stores by William Labov
- Sociophonology by John Honey
- International English by Trudgill / Hannah, chapters presented in class
- Accent and dialects for stage and screen by Paul Meier
- Unpublished dissertations at this University:
 Ježek, M.
 Headlandová-Kalischová, I.

Requirements:

- Attendance, 5pts a session, max. 25
- Contributions, max. 10pts
- Pronunciation assessment max. 40pts
- Final minitalk max. 25pts

Syllabus

Oct. 7

Introduction. Literature. Terminology. Web sources.

Standards, models x accents, 2nd language varieties.

Sources of recordings and tapescripts.

Creating one's own accent. Collections of errors.

Synthesis of skills.

Games: tongue twisters and phonetics terminology /or:/ A volunteer's model assessment

Oct. 21

Applied phonetics in teaching:

The commonest pronunciation mistakes made by the Czechs:

form, chart.

Pronunciation interviews.

Nov. 4

Pronunciation interviews continued.

- Articulatory settings in E and Cz.
- Personality perception see Tomkova@Accents2012.
- The search of a model.

Applied phonetics. Ways of improving ESL, EFL: nursery rhymes and songs (rap, hiphop), tongue twisters, stress patterns by Tibbits. Segmental exercises by Trim in Study Materials.

Accent change and reduction: Flege, Mojsin, Vrtalová.

Academic Oracy – speaking English in the most typical academic situations: the Cambridge oral test, conference or class papers, dissertation defences.

Dec. 2

Pronunciation varieties of English. Second language varieties.

Sociolinguistic research made using phonetic tools.

Dec. 16

Final presentations and minitalks. Assessments.

Fri 27th January, 2017, 9am: Exam colloquium.

Relevant tapescripts in Collins and Mees, Practical Phonetics and Phonology:

- 1 – Traditional RP
- 2 – Modern RP
- 41 – Cockney (Greater London)
- 42 – West Country (Bristol)
- 43 – Midlands (Birmingham)
- 44 – North (Lancashire)
- 45 – Geordie (Newcastle)
- 45 – Scottish (Edinburgh)
- 47 – Irish Republic (Greater Dublin)
- 48 – Northern Ireland (Belfast)
- 49 – South Wales
- 50 – Scouse (Liverpool)
- 51 – Southern USA (Texas)
- 52 – Kentucky
- 53 – Canadian
- 54 – Australian
- 55 – New Zealand
- 56 – South African
- 57 – Indian English
- 58 – Singapore
- 59 – Caribbean (West Indian)