Faculty of Arts  
School of Languages, Linguistics, Literatures and Cultures  

LING 353  
Historical Linguistics I  
Winter 2022  
TR 11:00-12:15  
PF 110  

COURSE OUTLINE

INSTRUCTOR’S NAME: A. POUNDER

OFFICE HOURS: W 13:00-14:00 and by appointment  
all one-on-one meetings will take place over Zoom  
(https://ucalgary.zoom.us/j/3799681522)

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DESCRIPTION  This course provides an introduction to the principles and techniques of the field of historical linguistics. Students will gain an understanding of processes of change within phonology, morphology, syntax, and lexicon, and more generally, an understanding of how linguists describe and attempt to explain language change. Techniques of reconstruction, data analysis, and data gathering will be practised.

REQUIRED COURSE MATERIALS


Additional materials will be available on D2L.

COURSE NOTES

Assignments and examinations: All assignments and examinations are to be submitted on the designated due date (by midnight unless otherwise stated). Late assignments will not be accepted without valid excuse (illness, domestic affliction, birth, marriage). Late assignments will not be accepted after the class handback; alternate arrangements will be made at the instructor's discretion. If students are prevented from submitting the midterm examination due to a valid excuse, there is no possibility of a late submission; in this case, the final examination will be reweighted.

Note that if the university requires us to move online due to Covid or some other pandemic, we will treat this as a permanent move for the semester in order to have certainty. In that case, a revised syllabus will be issued, and this will contain an adjustment regarding assessments and their weighting.

ASSESSMENT

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This is a registrar-scheduled in-person exam, with the possibility of a change to take-home exam should the term need to move online at any point.

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**INTEGRITY AND CONDUCT**

All members of the University community have a responsibility to familiarize themselves with the Statement on Principles of Conduct, and to comply with the University of Calgary Code of Conduct and Non-Academic Misconduct policy and procedures (available at: [http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html](http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html)).

**Academic misconduct**

Academic Misconduct refers to student behavior which compromises proper assessment of a student’s academic activities and includes: cheating; fabrication; falsification; plagiarism; unauthorized assistance; failure to comply with an instructor's expectations regarding conduct required of students completing academic assessments in their courses; and failure to comply with exam regulations applied by the Registrar.

For information on the Student Academic Misconduct Policy and Procedure please visit: [https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/university-policies-procedures/student-academic-misconduct-policy](https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/university-policies-procedures/student-academic-misconduct-policy)

Additional information is available on the Academic Integrity Website at [https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/student-success/learning/academic-integrity](https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/student-success/learning/academic-integrity)

**INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND COPYRIGHT LEGISLATION**

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**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PRIVACY (FOIP) ACT**

Graded assignments will be retained by the Department for three months and subsequently sent for confidential shredding. Final examinations will be kept for one calendar year and subsequently sent for confidential shredding. Said material is exclusively available to the student and to the department staff requiring to examine it. Please see [https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/access-information-privacy](https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/access-information-privacy) for complete information on the disclosure of personal records.

**ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS**

It is the student’s responsibility to request academic accommodations according to the University policies and procedures listed below. The student accommodation policy can be found at: [https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/access/prospective-students/academic-accommodations](https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/access/prospective-students/academic-accommodations).

Students needing an Accommodation because of a Disability or medical condition should communicate this need to Student Accessibility Services in accordance with the Procedure for Accommodations for Students with Disabilities ([https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/university-policies-procedures/student-accommodation-policy](https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/university-policies-procedures/student-accommodation-policy)).
Students needing an Accommodation in relation to their coursework or to fulfil requirements for a graduate degree, based on a Protected Ground other than Disability, should communicate this need, preferably in writing, to their Instructor or the Department Head/Dean or to the designated contact person in their Faculty.

**FACULTY OF ARTS PROGRAM ADVISING AND STUDENT INFORMATION RESOURCES**

Have a question, but not sure where to start? The Arts Students’ Centre is the overall headquarters for undergraduate programs in the Faculty of Arts. The key objective of this office is to connect students with whatever academic assistance they may require.

In addition to housing the Associate Dean (Undergraduate Programs and Student Affairs) and the Associate Dean (Teaching, Learning & Student Engagement), the Arts Students’ Centre is the specific home to:
- Program advising
- Co-op Education Program
- Arts and Science Honours Academy
- Student Help Desk

Location: Social Sciences Room 102  
Phone: 403-220-3580  
Email: ascarts@ucalgary.ca  
Website: [https://arts.ucalgary.ca/current-students/undergraduate](https://arts.ucalgary.ca/current-students/undergraduate)

For registration (add/drop/swap), paying fees and assistance with your Student Centre, contact Enrolment Services at 403-210-ROCK [7625] or visit them at the MacKimmie Block.

Contacts for the Students’ Union Representative for the Faculty of Arts: arts1@su.ucalgary.ca, arts2@su.ucalgary.ca, arts3@su.ucalgary.ca, arts4@su.ucalgary.ca.

**INTERNET AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICES**

Devices such as laptops, palmtops and smartbooks are allowed provided that they are used exclusively for instructional purposes and do not cause disruption to the instructor and to fellow students. Cellular telephones, blackberries and other mobile communication tools are not permitted and must be switched off.

**SUPPORT AND RESOURCES**

Links to information that is not course-specific related to student wellness and safety resources can be found on the Office of the Registrar's website: [https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/registration/course-outlines](https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/registration/course-outlines).