COURSE DETAIL

LINGUISTICS FIELDWORK
Country Japan
Host Institution International Christian University
Program(s) International Christian University
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Linguistics
UCEAP Course Number 156
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title LINGUISTICS FIELDWORK
UCEAP Transcript Title FIELDWRK/LINGUISTIC
UCEAP Quarter Units 4.00
UCEAP Semester Units 2.70

Course Description
This course is designed to provide fieldwork experience in a classroom setting. Students learn to analyze a language that they do not know through hands-on experience. This is not a lecture course. It is a specialized advanced-level course that provides opportunities in the classroom to use techniques of language elicitation, and to gain practice in gathering and describing a language using only data from an informant who is a native speaker of the language. Imagine this situation. You survive a plane crash but you are trapped in an isolated mountain forest. You know neither the language nor the culture. The local people do not know yours. You start to learn language and customs. Your method is hands-on but systematic -- planning and keeping records with paper and pencil. In the social sciences, this activity is termed fieldwork. In each class students encounter and gather data from an informant or consultant who is an expert in the language they work with. Previous language analysis has been done with speakers of Twi, Yoruba, Tagalog, Dutch, Okinawan, Thai, and Russian, as well as with Deaf signers of ASL and JSL.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
LED313E

Host Institution Course Title
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Host Institution Course Details

Host Institution Campus
International Christian University

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
Language Education

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