

COURSE DETAIL

GENERATIVE SYNTAX

Country

Japan

Host Institution

Waseda University

Program(s)

Waseda University

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Linguistics

UCEAP Course Number

107

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

GENERATIVE SYNTAX

UCEAP Transcript Title

GENERATIVE SYNTAX

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course introduces the scientific study of human language. Utilizing Andrew Radford's *An Introduction to English Sentence Structure* (2009), the course provides a concise and clear introduction to current work in syntactic theory, drawing on the key concepts of Noam Chomsky's *The Minimalist Program*. By looking at data mainly from English, it also introduces students to a few linguistic mysteries found not only in present-day English but also in languages like Japanese, Chinese, Korean, Belfast English, Elizabethan English, etc.

This course provides the opportunity to gain analytical skills which will be a solid foundation for conducting research in the following linguistics-related fields: child language, language acquisition, computational linguistics, machine translation, sign language, pidgin and creole, comparative linguistics, historical linguistics, language and thought, speech therapy, textbook writing, etc.

A companion course (CO310) focuses on more traditional ideas of generative syntax, which forms a basis of the current theory. Students are encouraged to take this course as well.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

CO422

Host Institution Course Title

FUNDAMENTALS OF GENERATIVE SYNTAX

Host Institution Campus

SILS

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

SILS - Communications

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