



# LING3382

## Culture and Language

Session 1, Weekday attendance, North Ryde 2020

*Department of Linguistics*

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## General Information

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10

Prerequisites

50cp at 2000 level or above including 10cp of LING units at 2000 level

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

This unit develops students' understanding of the link between culture and language. It explores key theoretical and methodological topics from sociolinguistics and linguistic anthropology such as: linguistic relativity, socio-pragmatics, linguistic ethnography, and the construction of social identity through language use. Students on this unit learn through carrying out a range of ethnographic research tasks, which are supported through in-class discussion activities.

## Important Academic Dates

Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at <https://www.mq.edu.au/study/calendar-of-dates>

## Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

**ULO1:** Demonstrate an understanding of the concepts and themes relevant to studying language and culture.

**ULO2:** Explain how cultural beliefs and values can influence the communication norms of a group.

**ULO3:** Apply and adapt anthropological linguistics knowledge to consideration of real-world issues.

**ULO4:** Conduct an interactional sociolinguistic analysis of authentic language data.

**ULO5:** Critically evaluate existing research on culture and language.

## Assessment Tasks

### Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

Assessment details are no longer provided here as a result of changes due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Students should consult [iLearn](#) for revised unit information.

[Find out more about the Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) and potential impacts on staff and students](#)

## General Assessment Information

### Late Submission and Special Consideration

- Late submissions without an extension will receive a penalty of 3% of the total mark available for the assessment task per day including weekend days (i.e. this is 3% of the total marks possible for the task – NOT 3% of the marks the student received. For example, if the assessment task is worth 100 marks and the student is two days late their mark for the task is reduced by 6 marks.)
- Late submission of an assessment task without an extension will not be accepted at all after the date on which marked assessment tasks have been released to the rest of the class. Any student with unsubmitted work at this date will receive a mark of 0 for the assessment task.
- Extensions will only be given in special circumstances, and can be requested by completing the Special Consideration request at [ask.mq.edu.au](https://ask.mq.edu.au) and providing the requisite supporting documentation.
- Extensions that will result in submissions after the assessment task has been returned to the class will require a separate assessment task to be completed at the unit convenor's discretion.
- For more information on Special Consideration, see the university website <https://students.mq.edu.au/study/my-study-program/special-consideration/>
- If a student fails the unit due to non-submission of an assignment or non-attendance at

an exam, an FA grade will be applied in accordance with the University's Assessment Policy.

- Unit convenors have the discretion to determine whether or not students should fail a unit on the basis of lateness penalties alone if other learning outcomes of the unit have been met.

## Delivery and Resources

### Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

Any references to on-campus delivery below may no longer be relevant due to COVID-19.

Please check here for updated delivery information: [https://ask.mq.edu.au/account/pub/display/unit\\_status](https://ask.mq.edu.au/account/pub/display/unit_status)

### Classes

LING3382 is taught by 1 x 1 hour lecture and 1 x 1 hour tutorial each week.

Tutorials begin in week 2.

The lecture and tutorial take place on the same day (Thursday), and from week 2, the material covered in the tutorial will be an extension of the material covered in the lecture from earlier in the day. For this reason, it is strongly recommended to attend the lecture (or view via live streaming) prior to the tutorial.

### Reading

Weekly readings will be made available on Leganto, an interactive interface with the library catalogue. These will be updated on a regular basis and you can suggest further readings and comment on existing ones.

The recommended texts are:

- Duranti, A. (1997). *Linguistic Anthropology*. Cambridge: CUP. (only 3 copies in the library - you should buy this as it is a very useful reference book for this unit)
- Copland, F., & Creese, A. (2015). *Linguistic ethnography: Collecting, analysing and presenting data*. London: Sage. (available as an e-book through the library)
- Holmes, J. & Wilson, N. (2017) *An Introduction to Sociolinguistics*. 5th Edition. Abingdon: Routledge.

## Unit Schedule

### Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

The unit schedule/topics and any references to on-campus delivery below may no longer be relevant due to COVID-19. Please consult [iLearn](#) for latest details, and check here for updated delivery information: [https://ask.mq.edu.au/account/pub/display/unit\\_status](https://ask.mq.edu.au/account/pub/display/unit_status)

This schedule is correct at the time of publication and may be subject to change. Please check iLearn for an up-to-date version.

Week 1	LING3382 Topics
1 [27th Feb]	Introduction to the unit
2 [5th March]	Critical Ethnographic Sociolinguistics 1
3 [12th March]	Critical Ethnographic Sociolinguistics 2
4 [19th March]	Examples of ethnographic work 1
5 [26th March]	Examples of ethnographic work 2
6 [2nd April]	Pragmatics
*7 [9th April]	The Interaction Order *Mid-semester break follows
8 [30th April]	Sociocultural & Linguistic Norms & Stereotypes
9 [7th May]	Intercultural Communication
10 [14th May]	Linguistic Relativity 1
11 [21st May]	Linguistic Relativity 2
12 [28th May]	Cross-cultural Politeness
13 [4th June]	CES & society

## Policies and Procedures

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from [Policy Central \(https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central\)](https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central). Students should be aware of the following policies in particular with regard to Learning and Teaching:

- [Academic Appeals Policy](#)

- [Academic Integrity Policy](#)
- [Academic Progression Policy](#)
- [Assessment Policy](#)
- [Fitness to Practice Procedure](#)
- [Grade Appeal Policy](#)
- [Complaint Management Procedure for Students and Members of the Public](#)
- [Special Consideration Policy](#) (**Note:** *The Special Consideration Policy is effective from 4 December 2017 and replaces the Disruption to Studies Policy.*)

Students seeking more policy resources can visit the [Student Policy Gateway](https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/student-policy-gateway) (<https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/student-policy-gateway>). It is your one-stop-shop for the key policies you need to know about throughout your undergraduate student journey.

If you would like to see all the policies relevant to Learning and Teaching visit [Policy Central](http://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central) (<http://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central>).

## Student Code of Conduct

Macquarie University students have a responsibility to be familiar with the Student Code of Conduct: <https://students.mq.edu.au/study/getting-started/student-conduct>

## Results

Results published on platform other than [eStudent](#), (eg. iLearn, Coursera etc.) or released directly by your Unit Convenor, are not confirmed as they are subject to final approval by the University. Once approved, final results will be sent to your student email address and will be made available in [eStudent](#). For more information visit [ask.mq.edu.au](http://ask.mq.edu.au) or if you are a Global MBA student contact [globalmba.support@mq.edu.au](mailto:globalmba.support@mq.edu.au)

## Student Support

Macquarie University provides a range of support services for students. For details, visit <http://students.mq.edu.au/support/>

## Learning Skills

Learning Skills ([mq.edu.au/learningskills](http://mq.edu.au/learningskills)) provides academic writing resources and study strategies to help you improve your marks and take control of your study.

- [Getting help with your assignment](#)
- [Workshops](#)
- [StudyWise](#)
- [Academic Integrity Module](#)

The Library provides online and face to face support to help you find and use relevant information resources.

- [Subject and Research Guides](#)
- [Ask a Librarian](#)

## Student Services and Support

Students with a disability are encouraged to contact the [Disability Service](#) who can provide appropriate help with any issues that arise during their studies.

## Student Enquiries

For all student enquiries, visit Student Connect at [ask.mq.edu.au](http://ask.mq.edu.au)

If you are a Global MBA student contact [globalmba.support@mq.edu.au](mailto:globalmba.support@mq.edu.au)

## IT Help

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit [http://www.mq.edu.au/about\\_us/offices\\_and\\_units/information\\_technology/help/](http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/information_technology/help/).

When using the University's IT, you must adhere to the [Acceptable Use of IT Resources Policy](#). The policy applies to all who connect to the MQ network including students.

## Changes from Previous Offering

Assessments all changed and approved by FSQC.

## Changes since First Published

Date	Description
14/02/2020	updated mapping following CMS update