

LING 473: Advanced Topics in Second Language Acquisition (1.5 units) Spring 2025 – University of Victoria

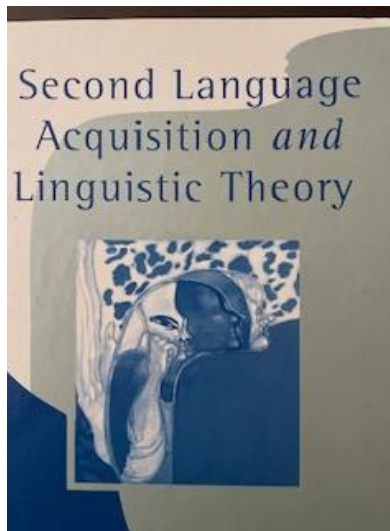


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Schedule

Fridays from 11:30am until 2:20pm

Prerequisites

LING 373 & LING 374

Description

This course will provide you with an overview of some current issues in second language (L2) acquisition (SLA) and Instructed SLA research. We will look at individual modules such as phonology, morphology and syntax, and explore whether L2 learners can acquire features which are not in their L1. We will argue against a critical period, and against a monolingual, nativelike bar of assessment. The course will also cover research on L3 acquisition, acquisition by heritage language learners, and why methods like high-variability phonetic training work in teaching pronunciation.

Textbooks: No required text book.

Instructor

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Office hours (Spring): Tuesdays & Thursdays from 11:00am until 12:00pm