English 103 (03) Modern English Grammar Professor N. Stork Fall 2015

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This course is a linguistically-based, historically-informed introduction to Modern English grammar. We will begin with phonemes and end with a detailed syntactical analysis of the Gettysburg Address. This course meets the California Content Standards for students interested in the Single Subject Teaching Credential.

Course Reader:

English Grammar Notes, available at the A.S. Print Shop, Hoover Hall.

Please read the relevant sections and do the exercises in the reader in advance of class. You will be called on everyday.

Grading:

Grading will be calculated on a 400 point scale as follows:

Homework 200 points
Two Midterms: 120 points
Final Exam: 80 points
TOTAL: 400 POINTS

Homework will be distributed and collected regularly in class. You are allowed one late assignment per semester. Please use it wisely. The usual percentages will apply unless there is an astonishingly divergent distribution of final grades:

- A 360-400 points
- B 320-360 points
- C 280-320 points
- D 240-280 points
- F Fewer than 240 points

Please see me if you need Disability Accommodations.

All work must be your own, particularly exams. I do not mind if you study and do homework together, as long as you each contribute actively to the process.

Schedule of Classes:

Aug 24 Aug 26 Aug 31	Introduction Phonetics Morphology
Sep 2 Sep 7 Sep 9 Sep 14 Sep 16 Sep 21 Sep 23 Sep 28 Sep 30	Morphology Labor Day - University Closed Parts of Speech Parts of Speech The Noun Phrase The Noun Phrase First Midterm Main Verb Phrase Main Verb Phrase
Oct 5 Oct 7 Oct 12 Oct 14 Oct 19 Oct 21 Oct 26 Oct 28	Instructor Holiday – No Class (otherwise SJSU is in session) Constituent Analysis Constituent Analysis Sentences Sentences Basic Coordination Basic Coordination Review
Nov 2 Nov 4 Nov 9 Nov 11 Nov 16 Nov 18 Nov 23 Nov 25 Nov 30	Second Midterm Subordinate Clauses and other Adverbials Subordinate Clauses and other Adverbials Veteran's Day – University Closed Relative Clauses and other Adjectivals Relative Clauses and other Adjectivals Nominal Clauses and other Nominals Nominal Clauses and other Nominals Apposition and Clefting
Dec 2 Dec 7	Apposition and Clefting Textual Analysis and Review

Final Exam: Tuesday, December 15, 2015, 945-1200 in our same classroom