

# **COURSE COMPACT**

Faculty: Arts, Managements and Social Sciences

**Department**: English Language

**Programme**: B.Sc. Mass Communication

Course Code: ENG 111

Course Title: Introduction to Spoken English

Units: 2

Course Lecturer: Miss I. P. Bello

Semester/Session: First Session: 2018/2019 Location: Lecture Hall

#### A. Brief Overview of Course

Attentions will be given to the acquisition of proficiency in the correct use and articulation of vowels, consonants, sounds in combination, stress and pitch and intonation in conversational speech. There will be practical sessions of pronunciation exercises, conversations, discussions and reading aloud.

### **B.** Course Objectives/Goals

At the end of this course, students are expected to:

- Define important terminologies in spoken English
- Have a good understanding of the organs of speech and speech mechanisms
- Identify, articulate and produce the English vowel and consonant sounds
- Transcribe English words into sounds
- Appropriately Categorize words into syllables
- Identify stressed syllables in English words
- Recognise intonations in various sentences.

### C. Methods of Lecture Delivery/Teaching Aids

- Lecture Delivery Methods
  - o Interactive classroom session
  - Individual assignments
  - Lecture notes
- Teaching Aids
  - Multimedia projection

#### **D.** Course Outlines

• Modules & Details of Topics

# Module I: Introduction to the English language sounds

Week 1: Introduction to language and definition of terms

Week 2: The organs of speech and Speech Mechanism

Weeks 3 & 4: Classification of English sounds, Articulation of sound, The cardinal vowel sounds, The English Vowel sounds

Week 5: The English Consonant sounds

Continuous Assessment One (CA1)

Week 6: Practical: Individual transcription and representation of spoken phonemes

**Module II: Suprasegmental Phonology** 

Weeks 7 & 8: Syllables and Stress

Week 9: Intonation

Class Test

Week 10: Transcription

Continuous Assessment Two (CA2)

Week 11& 12: Revision

#### E. Structure of the Programme/Method of Grading

Continuous Assessment

Class test/Assignments
Mid Semester test
Marks

• Examination 70% Marks

**TOTAL** 100%

# F. Ground Rules & Regulations

- 75% attendance is required to sit for the examination.
- Assignments must be submitted as at when due.
- Contributions to group discussion and class work are noted.

### G. Topics of Term Papers/Assignment/Student Activities

- Class practical 1&2
- Transcription of words representing all the English phonemes.

# H. Contemporary Issues/Industry Relevance

Due to the unending problem of interference by various mother tongues (MT) in Nigeria, it is essential to pay both practical and theoretical attention to the acquisition and articulation of the Second language (L2) which in this case is English language, also the official language of Nigeria. This important and crucial to building efficiently capable students in the oral production of English language.

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# J. Recommended Reading/Texts

- a. Beatrice, Egwuogu. Basic English, Phonetics and Phonology. Tunigraphic Prints, 2008.
- b. Ayo, Osisanwo. Fundamentals of English Phonetics and Phonology. Femolus-Fetop Publishers, 2009.