Linguistics and Cognitive Science

First Year Experience (FYE)
CGSC 100-010
Fall 2009

Course Coordinator: Prof. Nancy Schweda Nicholson,
Director of Undergraduate Studies

This course meets on Thursdays from 3:30-4:45 in Smith 218.

As a COSI Major, you are required to attend. Sign-in sheets will be distributed at each session. You will receive one hour of Pass/Fail credit upon satisfactory completion of the FYE.

Programmatic Learning Goals for the B.S. In Cognitive Science
By the end of the Cognitive Science Major, students will...
1. Communicate scientific ideas and methods (i.e., discuss and solve scientific problems and/or provide data or arguments in support of a scientific hypothesis) clearly and effectively, both orally and in writing. (Gen Ed Goal 1)
2. Critically assess scientific research (primary source articles and/or lab reports), methods, and/or problem solving related to cognitive science, linguistics, and speech pathology. (Gen Ed Goal 2)
3. Synthesize multiple methodological or disciplinary research perspectives to analyze a scientific problem and make improvements that advance the issue, debate, or research (Gen Ed Goals 3 and 5).

Course Goals.
1. Introduce cognitive science majors to some theoretical issues central to the field of cognitive science. (Programmatic Goal 1; Gen Ed Goal 1).
2. Communicate important advising information to cognitive science majors.

Schedule

8/31  “How logical is language?”
      Dr. Fred Adams, Chair, Linguistics and Cognitive Science

9/3   --Introduction to Course (NSN)

      --“Navigating the College of Arts and Sciences”
      Nina Mullin Buchanan, Arts and Science Advisement Center

9/10  “What is the Most Important Grade You Ever Earn?” (This session treats the responsible use of credit.)
      Barbara Emery, Program Coordinator, Center for Economic Education and Entrepreneurship

9/17* “Time Management” (Tools for making your workload more manageable rather than letting it overwhelm you!)
      Mike McClay, Assistant Director, Academic Enrichment Center
*Meet in Smith 209 today only.*

9/24  “Internet Safety” (Think before you click!!)
      Jean Neff, IT-Client Support & Services Program Coordinator

10/1  “Speech Pathology’s Contributions to Enhancing Quality of Life”
      Dr. Beth Mineo, Director, Center for Disabilities Studies

10/8  “How to Measure Categorical Perception of Speech Sounds”
      Dr. Jeff Heinz, Linguistics and Cognitive Science

10/15 “Animal and Human Minds”
       Dr. Robin Andreasen, Linguistics and Cognitive Science

10/22** “Language Use in Specific Occupational Contexts” (legal settings and commercial advertisements)
       Dr. Satoshi Tomioka, Linguistics and Cognitive Science

11/19** “Advisement Session for Spring, 2010 Pre-Registration”
       Dr. Nancy Schweda Nicholson, LING and CGSC

**Note that there will be a gap of about one month between these sessions.

Please direct all questions to Dr. Nancy Schweda Nicholson: nsn@udel.edu