2017-18, first semester

Syntax A 132.1.2091

BA 2nd-year required course, 4 points

Class hours: Sundays and Wednesdays, 12:00 – 14:00

Tutorial hours: Tuesdays, 14:00 – 16:00; Tuesdays, 16:00-18:00

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Course description:

This course is the first half of an advanced introduction to syntax within the framework of generative grammar. The goal is to become familiar with theoretical concepts and principles and to develop skills in syntactic description, analysis and argumentation.

Prerequisite: Introduction to Syntax.

Required course materials

Textbook: An Introduction to Syntactic Analysis and Theory

by Dominique Sportiche, Hilda Koopman and Edward Stabler. Wiley Blackwell, 2014

<u>Note</u>: All students are expected to obtain a copy of the textbook, since it contains many of the assigned readings and exercises.

Other assigned material and exercises are on Moodle.

Requirements:

Students are expected to read all of the material assigned, *bring any questions and comments to class*, and participate in class discussions. (And please see Class Rules.) Attendance is therefore required.

It is useful to work on the assignments (as well as the readings) with someone else. Given this, students can hand in their work in pairs. Since students cannot do the exam in pairs, take responsibility for your own assignments!

Assignments must be handed in on time. They are to be put into Keren's mailbox before **12:00 Sunday**, the Sunday after the Wednesday they are assigned. Late assignments will not be accepted.

Grading:

Assignments (10 exercises) = 25% Midterm exam = 25% Final exam = 50%