Course title (English): Introduction to the Lexicon
Course title (Hebrew): מבוא ללקסיקון
Course number: 132-1-0261
Course slot: Semester I, Wednesday, 14:00-16:00
Lecturer: Tova Rapoport
Lecturer’s conference hour and contact details: Sunday, 14:00-15:00, by appointment tovarap@bgu.ac.il

Course description & objectives:
In this course, we examine the basic concepts relevant to analyses of lexical representation and the lexicon-syntax interface. We first examine verb types, verbal arguments, and aspectual classes. We then turn to the way verbs, their arguments, and their aspectual properties interact in alternations and complex constructions.

Course requirements:
There are assigned readings, posted on Moodle. We are also happy to upload any additional material you request. Students are expected to read all the assigned material, bring any questions and comments to class or email them to us, and participate in class discussions. Attendance is therefore required. Please read Class Rules for more details.

There are also written assignments, due approximately every other week. It is useful to work on the assignments (as well as the readings) with others. Given this, students are encouraged to submit their work in pairs. (If you wish to submit on your own, please check with the assistant.) Your completed assignments, typed in the proper format (see under Assignments on Moodle) will be due as announced. Assignments must be submitted on time. Late assignments will not be accepted.

Grading: Assignments = 25%
Exam (or final assignment, depending on the situation) = 75%
(Note: Students must pass the exam in order to pass the course.)