KOR 634 - Korean Sociolinguistics:
Talk and Embodiment in Social Interaction
Department of East Asian Languages and Literatures
UHM, Fall 2018

CLASS TIME & PLACE
Friday 9:30-12:00 PM at CKS 204 (from Nov. 2 MH 155A)

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COURSE DESCRIPTION
This course aims to introduce the theoretical framework and methodology for studying the intricate relationship between language and social interaction. The course will cover key sociolinguistic concepts, such as politeness, stance, and footing, and, in line with recent growing body of empirical studies on embodied action, will look at the interplay of talk, bodily conduct, and the use of objects in social interaction. The course aims to pave the way to a deeper understanding and investigation of social actions and activities (e.g., requests, offers, advices, compliments, apologies) through multi-modal and embodied perspectives rather than from merely from a conceptual aspect. The course will also examine how social actions and activities may be constructed differently depending on languages, genders, identities, and cultures.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES
By the end of the course, students will 1) have a solid theoretical foundation in studying embodied social interaction; 2) have a comprehensive understanding of the organizations and practices in conversational data; 3) make a collection of short data sequences containing the phenomenon they want to examine; 4) transcribe actual sequences of conversational data using appropriate transcription symbols; and 5) write in-depth analyses of the collected data.

REQUIRED TEXTS
Each week students will be assigned to read relevant journal articles and book chapters available on UH Manoa library site.

GRADING
Final grades for this course will be calculated as follows:

- Class participation 15%
- Assignments 15%
- Oral presentations (reading and discussion leading) 30%
- Final paper (including final paper presentation) 40%
(1) Students are expected to finish all required weekly readings and actively participate in class discussions.
(2) Students will make two to three group presentations on a given topic. Each group will present a short summary of the readings and provide authentic data segments related to the topic for analysis and discussion.
   * Please bring your own laptop & headset to class each week.
(3) Students will complete assignments related to analyzing natural data.
(4) Students will produce a final paper using the theoretical framework and methodology covered in class.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Week 1 August 24       INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLINGUISTICS
(1) D. Tannen (2011). That's Not What I Meant! Chapter 5. Framing & Reframing (pp.82-100).

Week 2 August 31       STANCE & FOOTING I

Week 3 September 7    STANCE & FOOTING II

Week 4 September 14   POLITENESS

Week 5 September 21   REQUEST I
   Additional reading:

Week 6 September 28   REQUESTS II
Research on Language and Social Interaction 49 (1): 1-19


Additional reading:

Week 7 October 5 OFFERS AND SUGGESTIONS
7.1. Offers, invitations

Week 8 October 12 AGREEMENTS & DISAGREEMENTS
7.4. Agreements and disagreements
Additional reading:

Week 9 October 19 COMPLIMENTS & CRITICISM
7.2. Compliments and criticisms

Week 10 October 26 APOLOGIES
Additional reading:
Week 11 November 2    THANKS


7.3. Thanks & 7.5. Congratulations, commiserations, and good wishes


Week 12 November 9    RESEARCH TOPIC PRESENTATION I

Each student will present a research topic, previous studies on the topic, their data and methodology, research questions, and preliminary findings. Please prepare a two to three page-length abstract which includes the above information.

Week 13 November 16    RESEARCH TOPIC PRESENTATION II

Each student will present a research topic, previous studies on the topic, their data and methodology, research questions, and preliminary findings. Please prepare a two to three page-length abstract which includes the above information.

Week 14 November 23    Holiday: Thanksgiving

Week 15 November 30    DATA SESSION

Final paper submission    December 14, 2018