

# VEER NARMAD SOUTH GUJARAT UNIVERSITY

M A Part – II

(English)

**Paper – VII-B**

Introductory Course in Linguistics

Section – I

## **A Phonology**

- a) Phonemes versus Allophones, the structuralist and the generative perspectives. Principles of phonemic analysis, discovery procedures in phonology- Contrastive versus Complementary distribution, phonetic similarity, principles of neatness of pattern, pattern congruity versus that of economy, phonetic environment. Phones, phonemes, allophones-aspiration. Phonetic environment and distribution. Phonetic and phonemic symbols, phonological/realization rules, Minimal pairs, phonemic and phonetic transcription.
- b) Distinctive features – articulatory, auditory and acoustic aspects. Jacobson's matrix. Chomsky and Hall's matrix (Sound Pattern of English SPE)
- c) Phonology and Morphology, morphophonemic-phonological rules, pre – generative, orthodox generative and natural generative models of morphophonemic analysis.
- d) Phonological processes in connected speech, assimilation, vowel reduction.

## Books Recommended

1. Catford, J.C. (1988), Practical Introduction to Phonetics  
( Clarendon Press, Oxford )
2. Cowan, W. and J. Rakusan (1985), Source Book for Linguistics  
( John Benjamins, Philadelphia )
3. Durrand, J. (1994), Generative and Non-linear Phonology  
( Longman, London )
4. Hawkins Peter (1985) Introducing Phonology  
( Hutchinson, London )
5. Kenstowicz, M. and C. Kisseberth (1979) Generative Phonology, Description and Theory,  
( Academic Press, New York)
6. Ladefoged P. (1975) A Course in Phonetics  
( Harcourt Brace Jovanovich Inc., New York)
7. O' Grady, W, O.M. Dobrovosky and Aronoff (1991) Contemporary Linguistics, An Introduction,  
( St. Martin's Press, New York)
8. Verma S.K. and N. Krishnaswamy (1989) Modern Linguistics, An Introduction, (OUP, Madras)

## **B. ( I ) Semantics and Pragmatics.**

Elements of meaning, conceptual, connotative, stylistic, affective, reflected, collocative and thematic meaning.

Sources of meaning, Lexical meaning, grammatical meaning, intonational or phonological meaning, sociocultural meaning

Code meaning, Sememe and coder meaning, pragmeme

Meaning Relations, Descriptive meaning, Expressive meaning and social meaning, ambiguity

Elements of Pragmatics,

Performatives and Presuppositions

Illocutionary acts, Locutions, illocutions, per locutions, assertion, entailment, presupposition.

Text and Discourse

Qualities of a text, Coherence, cohesion, markers of cohesion

Redundancy, entropy.

Structure of a discourse. Field of discourse, Tenor of Discourse, Mode of discourse.

### **Books Recommended,**

Lyons, J (1995) Linguistic Semantics – An Introduction.  
( Cambridge CUP)

Palmer F.R. (1981) Semantics (2<sup>nd</sup> Edition),  
( CUP Cambridge. )

Prakasham, V and A. Abbi (1986) Semantic Theories and Language Teaching. ( New Delhi, Allied Publishers.)

Fiske, J (1982) Introduction to Communication Studies,  
( London )

Leech, G.N. (1983) Principles of Pragmatics,  
( Longman London )

Halliday MAK (1978) Language as a Social Semiotic,  
( London, Edward )

Sinclair JMCH and Coulthard A. M. (1975) Towards an Analysis of Discourse. ( Oxford, OUP. )

## **( II ) Socio-Linguistics and Psycho-Linguistics: An Introduction**

1. Functions of language,
  - a) Cognitive, evaluative, and affective Functions.
  - b) Ideational, interpersonal and textual functions.
  - c) Expressive, directive, referential, meta linguistic, poetic and phatic functions.
2. Linguistic versus Communicative Competence  
Macro/micro Introduction.
3. Sociolinguistics, Basic Concepts

- Speech community, speech/verbal repertoire, speech situation,  
Speech event. (speech act)
4. Language Variety  
Idiolects, Dialects, Accents, Registers, Styles. Native and non-native varieties, Standard and non-Standard varieties.
  5. Language in Contact.  
Bilingualism/multilingualism  
Code-switching/code-mixing  
Pidgins and creoles
  6. Languages and Mind  
Language acquisition, innateness hypothesis  
Universal grammar, principles and parameters

### Books Recommended

1. Halliday MAK (1973) Explorations in the Functions of Language  
( London, Arnold )
2. Hymes, D. (1974) Foundations of Sociolinguistics,  
( Philadelphia Uni. of Pennsylvania Press)
3. Giglioli, P.P.(ed.) (1972) Language and Social Context,  
( Harmondsworth, Penguin ).
4. Trud Gill P. (1974) Sociolinguistics, An Introduction  
(Harmondsworth, Penguin)
5. Fishman, J. (1971) Sociolinguistics, A Brief Introduction  
(Rowly, Newbury House).
6. Hudson, R.A. (1980) Sociolinguistics.  
( Cambridge CUP).
7. Gumperz, J.J. (1971) Language in Social Groups,  
( Stanford, Stan. Uni. Press )
8. Pride J.B. and Holmes J. (ed.) (1972) Sociolinguistics.  
( Harmonds worth , Penguin ).
9. Cook V. J. (1988) Chomsky's Universal Grammar.

### Section – II

#### **A Linguistic Theory**

The following linguists are prescribed for study,

- I. Ferdinand de Saussure
- II. Leonard Bloomfield
- III. Noam Chomsky
- IV. M A K Halliday

#### Prescribed Text:

Beaugrande Robert de, Linguistic Theory, (London, Longman 1991)  
(Chapters 2,4,7,9 only)

## Recommended Books,

1. Verma S.K. and N. Krishnaswamy, Modern Linguistics, An Introduction, (OUP, Madras, 1989)
2. Cowan, W. and Rakusan, Sourcebook for Linguistics.
3. O'Grady, Dodrovolsky and Aronoff, Contemporary Linguistics An Introduction, ( New York, St.Martin's Press,1994 )
4. Akmajian, A., R.A. Demers, and R.M. Harnish, Linguistics and Introduction to Language and Communication ( London, The MIT Press, 1979 )

## **B Syntax,**

- a. Aims and methods of Syntax
- b. Constituents, Word order, sentences, clauses, phrases, words.
- c. Functions, The verb and its complements, grammatical functions in S, in VP and in phrases.
- d. Processes, Leftward movement, passivization, movement to focus position, clefting and pseudo-clefting, substitution by pro-forms, ellipsis.
- e. Non-finite clauses, Finite and non-finite clauses, raising and control.

## Reference Books,

1. Radford, Andrew, Transformational syntax.  
( Cambridge, OUP 1988.)
2. Friedin, Robert, Foundations of Generative Syntax,  
( Massachusetts, The MIT Press, 1994 )
3. Finegan, E. and Basnier, N. Language, Its Structure and Use,  
( Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, NewYork,1989 )
4. Cook V. J. Chomsky's Universal Grammar, An Introduction.  
( Oxford, Basil Blackwell, 1998 )

Two questions will be asked in the final exam, one of which will be in the form of drawing of tree-structures.

Students will answer three questions in all from this section.