Readings:

Readings are posted on the course OWL Site. There will be approximately 25 articles assigned as required reading, and some optional readings on topics studied will also be made available on the site, or can be found in the Western Libraries system. Students will do readings in addition to these on a topic of their choice for the assignments in the course.

Assignments:

Reference list on chosen topic (OPTIONAL, NO MARK ASSIGNED: due October 10) You are asked to prepare short paragraph describing a sociolinguistic topic on which you plan to do research (please consult the instructor on your choice of topic), and include a list of 10-15 bibliographic references on the topic. Be sure to pay careful attention to the format of bibliographic references.

Annotated bibliography assignment (due October 24)

You are asked to prepare an annotated bibliography on your topic. Please see guidelines posted on the OWL site.

Abstract: (due November 14)

You are asked to prepare an abstract of the research you plan to do for the presentation and the research paper. Please see guidelines posted on the OWL site.

Presentation (December 12)

You are asked to make a presentation to the class, about 15 minutes in length

Plagiarism:

It is expected that graduate students will be aware of the regulations regarding plagiarism and other scholastic offences to be avoided, but I include here the text that the Senate recommends we include in all course outlines:

"Scholastic offences are taken seriously and students are directed to read the appropriate policy, specifically, the definition of what constitutes a Scholastic Offence, at the following Web site: http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/handbook/appeals/scholoff.pdf"

Schedule of Course Meetings:

A schedule of course meetings, including topics, readings and assignments for each class, is posted on the OWL site.