## The University of Western Ontario Department of Languages & Cultures

# "Sociolinguistics of Spanish/ Sociolingüística de español" SP9717A/LIN9752A

Lecture: Fall, Thursdays (1.30 4.30 pm) in-person

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#### **Article presentation (20%)**

Each student will be required to individually present one article from the list of the required readings (see below). The presentation has to generate further discussion of the issues discussed in the lecture and in the reading. The student will need to include his/her critical evaluation of the article. Presentations should be no longer than **30 minutes**.

**Attendance & Participation (15%):** 

The goal of this project is to introduce the student to empirical research on social variation and change. The student will choose a linguistic topic of their interest and choose the most appropriate method according to the proposed research question to run her own pilot project. The student and the professor will together discuss the ethical issues surrounding this project. The student understands that participants must be recruited in a way that does not threaten their privacy; that REB approval is needed before data collection. Potential participants will be given a letter of information and a consent form and informed of their right to refuse to participate and to withdraw at any time. They will also be given contact information if they are interested in seeing the final project A II data collected will be encoded to protect participants' confidentiality (e.g. names replaced by numbers). The student understands that the project must not involve more than minimal risk to the participants, as set out in the guidelines posted on the research ethics website.

Participants will be recruited from among acquaintances and other students from their department, never from the classes the student is TAing. They will be able to recruit undergraduate students from Spanish, French, and Italian classes.

The data will be collected by means of on-line questionnaires, online tasks, and/or by audio-/video-

appropriate policy, specifically, the definition of what constitutes a Scholastic Offence, at the following Web site: <a href="http://uwo.ca/ombuds/student/cheating.html">http://uwo.ca/ombuds/student/cheating.html</a>

#### **Classroom Etiquette**

You are expected to come to lecture on time and stay for the entire class to receive the participation mark for that day. Any use of electronic devices will be restricted to note-taking and browsing the

accessible campus transportation, learning strategy instruction, writing exams and assistive technology instruction.

#### **SUPPORT SERVICES**

The Web sites for Registration Services is http://www.registrar.uwo.ca and Student Support Services is https://studentservices.uwo.ca.The Student Development Services can also be reached at <a href="https://www.sdc.uwo.ca">www.sdc.uwo.ca</a>

3: Thursday, September 23	VARIATION 1: SOCIO-PHONETICS Introduction to socio-phonetics How to write a proposal	Medina-Rivera, A. (2011) Díaz-Campos, M., Fafulas, S., & Gradoville, M.S. (2011)
4: Thursday, September 30	VARIATION 1: SOCIO-PHONETICS /sc5275 reW*nB/es-ES)DC q98430069	9

### **Required Readings:**

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