

The University of Western Ontario
Department of Modern Languages and Literatures
Hindi for Beginners 1030/1035
Course Outline
Fall/Winter 2016-17

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To help students recognize manifestations of **influences of English and other languages on Hindi**

semester will get 0 on the participation grade for that semester (5%). Please also remember that arriving late disrupts the class, if the student arrives late three times that will be counted as an absence.

Attendance is very important in language courses. “Any student who, in the opinion of the instructor, is absent too frequently from class or laboratory periods in any course, will be reported to the Dean of the Faculty offering the course (after due warning has been given). On the recommendation of the de

Discover the living aspect of the Hindi Language by listening and speaking it with native Hindi speakers and members of the faculty.

Appreciate the relevance of learning Hindi by putting it into practice.

Grade Breakdown

Participation and Progress	10%
Oral presentations (5% each)	10% (1 per term)
Composition (4% each)	8% (1 per term)
4 tests (3 best are counted, 10% each)	30% (2 tests per term)
4 Quizzes (3% each)	12% (2 quizzes per term)
Final exam	30%

Regular Program		Community Engagement Program	
Participation and Progress	10 %	Participation and Progress	7%
Oral Presentation	10%	Oral Presentation	10%
Composition	8%	Composition	4%
Test	30%	Test	30%
Quiz	12%	Quiz	9%
Final Exam	30%	Final Exam	30%

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Course Calendar

N.B. We will *try* to follow this schedule, and students will be notified of any changes.

Fall Term

Sept. 12: Introductions; Overview of Textbooks; Introducing Yourself; Introduction to Devanagari Script, its History and Politics

Sept. 14: Vowel letters; ; My and Mine; (Chapter 1)

Sept. 19: Consonants; Yes/No Questions (Chapter 1)

Sept. 21: Consonants; Honorific system in Hindi (! " , #%, #&(Chapter 1, 2)

Sept. 26: Consonants; Introduction to Conjunct Consonants; This and That; He, She, and It (Chapter 1); Dictation

Sept. 28: Quiz 1; Consonants + Vowel Maatraas (%'(')

Oct. 3: Conjunct Consonants

Oct. 5: Conjunct Consonants

Oct. 10 : Thanksgiving Day

Oct. 12: Simple Sentences and Commands; Verb 'to be' (Review); Dictation

Oct. 17: Simple Sentences and Commands; 'What' and 'Who' (Chapter 1); Dictation

Oct. 19: Test 1, Writing Conventions

Oct. 24: Words and Spellings; Introduction to Gender (Chapter 2)

Oct. 26: Nouns and adjectives; Gender; Number; 'We' and 'Ours' (Chapter 2)

Oct 31: Cultural Event (TBA)

Nov. 2: Postpositions and Oblique Case (Chapter 3)

Nov. 7: Quiz 2; Agreement of Adjectives with mixed genders, Numbers (1 to 50)

Nov. 9: Postpositions and Oblique Case (Chapter 3); Commands and Requests; The Infinitive as a command; Some conversational features (Chapter 4)

Nov. 14: Composition I; The Imperfective Present Tense (Chapter 4)

Nov. 16: Constructions with 'Ko' ! "; Liking, Needing and Wanting things (Chapter 5)

Nov. 21: Where to get Things; Quantities (Chapter 5)

Nov. 23: Test 2; Vocative; Saying I know (Chapter 5)

Nov. 28: Possession; 'To have'; Family Relationships; Age (Chapter 6)

Nov 30 : Koi, Kuch) *+,)\$; Sakna -) . '(Chapter 6)

Dec. 5: Oral Presentations (Group)

Winter Term

Jan. 9: Past Imperfective Tense; Comparison with Present Imperfective Tense; Reading Comprehension (Chapter 7)

Jan. 11: Composition II; Emphasis /0, 12, #*; 'Ko' () *) with Direct Objects (Chapter 7)

Jan. 16: Comparatives and Superlatives (#\$%&' (, !) , * + *); One's own (3" . '); Past and Present Continuous Tenses (Chapter 8)

Jan. 18: 'When' and 'How'; Adverbs and Compound Postpositions ! ,, ! -, ! , ./0 (Chapter 8)

Jan. 23: Future Tenses; Future Tense with Auxiliary Verbs (Perfective and Continuous) Chapter 9)

Jan. 25: Quiz 3 (Chapters 6, 7, and 8); Time; Months; Dates; Seasons (Chapter 12)

Jan. 30: Subjunctive Mood; Suggestion/Command/Wish; Conditional Clauses (1% ! , \$3&, 45 () (Chapter 9)

Feb. 1: Transitivity of Verbs; Perfective Tenses – Intransitive Verbs; Reading comprehension (Chapter 10)

Feb. 6: Perfective Tenses – Transitive Verbs; Review of Chapters 7, 8, 9 and 10.

Feb. 8: Test 3

Feb. 13: Absolutes ! (, 6% (, &, 7! (; Composition (Chapter 10)

Feb 15: Movie Evening (TBA)

Feb 20-24: Reading Week

Feb. 27: Oral Presentations (Individual)

Mar. 1: Passive Voice; Passive Tenses (Chapter 11)

Mar. 6: Giving directions; Obligation Expression 4'516 (Chapter 11)

Mar. 8: Numbers (51 onwards); Reading comprehension

Mar. 13: Quiz 4

Mar. 15: Relative Clauses (6+, 68%96") (Chapter 12)

Mar. 27: Test 4

Mar. 29: Parts of the Body; Health; Hospital (Chapter 12)

Mar. 3: Letter Writing:

