

***Ling 580: Topics in the Syntax of Wh-Questions  
Winter 2008***

**Meeting Time:** Thursday 3:30-5:50 pm  
**Location:** BAG331A

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***Course Description:***

During this course, we will explore three interconnected (trust me!) areas in the syntax of wh-questions: multiple wh-questions, sluicing, and conjoined wh wh-questions.

***Course Materials:***

There is no textbook for this course. The readings (to be completed before class) involve a selection of articles to be made available electronically, either through UW's library or on the course website. This is a reading intensive course; be prepared to read 100-150 pages per week.

***Requirements:***

Successful completion of this course will depend on the following:

active participation	10%
abstract + bibliography	20%
'journal'	20%
2 Presentations	20%
Final Paper	30%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>

## Course Outline (subject to change)

Week	Date	Topic(s)	Reading(s) (readings marked with an asterisk are optional) The links are to papers freely available on the web.
I	Jan 10	Overview Review of wh-movement in the MP	Carnie, A. 2002. Core Syntax. Chapters 9-10.
II	Jan 17	Multiple Wh-Movement: syntax	Dayal, V. 2006. Multiple Wh-Questions. In Martin Everaert and Henk van Riemsdijk (eds.), <i>The Syntax Companion</i> (Sections 1-2). Boskovic, Z. 2002. On Multiple Wh-Fronting. <i>Linguistic Inquiry</i> 33:351-383. Grewendorf, G. 2001. Multiple Wh-Fronting. <i>Linguistic Inquiry</i> 32:87-122.
III	Jan 24	Multiple Wh-Movement: interpretation	Boskovic, Z. 2003. On the interpretation of multiple wh-questions. <i>Linguistic Variation Yearbook</i> 1:1-15. Dayal, Veneeta. 2002. Single-pair versus multiple-pair answers: Wh-in-situ and scope. <i>Linguistic Inquiry</i> 33:512-520. Dayal, V. 2006. On Multiple Wh-Fronting. In Martin Everaert and Henk van Riemsdijk (eds.), <i>The Syntax Companion</i> (Sections 3-4). Suranyi, B. To appear. Focus structure and the interpretation of multiple questions. <i>Information Structure and the Architecture of Grammar</i> .
IV	Jan 31	Sluicing	Merchant, J. 2006. 2006. Sluicing. In Martin Everaert and Henk van Riemsdijk (eds.), <i>The Syntax Companion</i> , 269-289. Blackwell: London. Merchant, J. 2001. <i>The Syntax of Silence: Sluicing, Islands, and the Theory of Ellipsis</i> . Oxford: Oxford University Press. Chapters 2-3.
V	Feb 7	Sluicing	Merchant, J. 2001. <i>The Syntax of Silence: Sluicing, Islands, and the Theory of Ellipsis</i> . Oxford: Oxford University Press. Chapters 4-5.
VI	Feb 14	Sluicing: crosslinguistic considerations	Grebyenova, L. 2006. 2006. Multiple Interrogatives: Syntax, Semantics, and Learnability. Doctoral dissertation, University of Maryland - College Park. Selected chapters
VII	Feb 21	Conjoined wh wh-questions	Kazenin, K., 2001. In: On Coordination of Wh-phrases in Russian. Fourth European Conference on Formal Description of Slavic Languages, University of Potsdam, Potsdam, November 28-30. Merchant, J. and A. Giannakidou, 1988. Reverse sluicing in English and Greek. <i>The Linguistic Review</i> 15.2-3:233-256. Comorovski, Ileana. 1996. <i>Interrogative phrases</i>

			<i>and the syntax-semantics. interface.</i> Dordrecht: Kluwer Academic Publications.
<b>VIII</b>	<b>Feb 28</b>	<i>Conjoined wh wh-questions</i>	Zhang , N. 2007. The syntactic derivations of two paired dependency constructions <i>Lingua</i> , 117: 2134-2158 Liptak, A. Conjoined Questions in Hungarian. In  <b>Abstracts and Bibliography due</b>
<b>IX</b>	<b>Mar 6</b>	<i>Conjoined wh wh-questions</i>	Gracanin-Yukse. 2007. On Sharing. Doctoral dissertation, MIT. Selected chapters.
<b>X</b>	<b>Mar 13</b>	<i>Final Presentations</i>	
<b>XI</b>	<b>Wed March 18</b>	<i>FINAL PAPERS DUE</i>	