LING 580A Problems in Linguistics: Locality  
Autumn 2008

Meeting Time: Wednesdays: 3:30-5:50  
Location:

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Course Description:

This seminar examines recent issues regarding locality from the perspective of recent minimalist theory. We will consider locality in what traditionally have been termed A and A-bar domains, as well as the interaction between them. The phenomena we will look at will include (but are not limited to): object shift, scrambling, passivization, raising, long distance movement.

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%
- Total: 100%

Schedule and Readings (subject to change)
I. Sept 24 (Edith)?)

Introduction, overview

Rizzi 2001
Chomsky 2008
Boeckx & Grohmann 2007

II. Oct 1  Locality in A movement: Passives

Pylkannen 2008: Chapters 1, 2.
McGinnis 2001
Gerdts and McGinnis 2004
McGinnis 2005

III. Oct 8  Locality in A movement: Passives (Continued)

Jeong 2007: Chapters 1,2
Anagnostopoulou 2003: Chapter 3
Doggett 2004: Chapters 1, 3, 4

IV. Oct 15 Object Shift

Fox & Pesetsky 2004
Rackowski & Richards 2005

V. Oct 22: Scrambling

Saito 2003
Miyagawa 2005
Ko 2007

VI. Oct 29 (Edith away) Locality in A-movement: Raising

Cuervo 2003
Boeckx 2000
Holmberg and Hróarsdóttir 2003
VII. Nov 5: Locality in A-movement: Raising (Continued)

VIII. Nov 12 (Barbara away) Islands

Stepanov 2007
Kishimoto 2005

IX. Nov 19 Successive Cyclic Movement Part 1

Chomsky 2001
Franks & Lavine 2006
Boskovic 2007

Nov 27-28 Thanksgiving holiday (Th-Fri)

X Nov 26 (Edith away) Successive Cyclic Movement Part II

XI. Dec 5 (presentations)

Finals December 8-12

References


