



Course Materials

**Required Texts:**

Brinton, Laurel J. And Leslie K. Arnovick. *The English Language: A Linguistic History*. Third Edition. Don Mills: Oxford University Press, 2017. *EL*  
Stephenson, Mark (Richard Moll and Michael Kightley). *Course Readings*. *CR*

This course package will be used in the second term of the course; it will not be available for the first half of the course; it will be available at the bookstore before the start of the second term.

I will also shortly make available, on the course website, a link to the *OED (The Oxford English Dictionary)* Online. Use of this resource is indispensable for the course.

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**Recommended Texts:**

Hacker, Diana. *A Canadian Writer's Reference*. Boston/New York: Bedford, 2008.

This can be any writing handbook which you used in your introductory English courses; you will probably find it helpful to have something close to hand which explains basic grammatical points when working through the more technical aspects of the Brinton and Arnovick.

Methods of Evaluation

Tests 4 best of 5	15%
Cognate Exercise (1 <sup>st</sup> Term)	10%
Translation Exercise (2 <sup>nd</sup> Term)	10%
Paper (2 <sup>nd</sup> Term)	20%
Etymology Exercise (2 <sup>nd</sup> Term)	5%
Attendance and Participation	5%
Final Exam	<u>35%</u>
	100%

**The Readings:**

Make no mistake, you are going to find many aspects of the Brinton-Arnovick text (*EL*) difficult, and you are going to find that text particularly difficult-going early on; you should find the Knowles text quite a bit easier. While we will be taking up the readings from *EL* in class in some detail, do be sure to do the readings, and do them as very best you can: the more Tf1abmil0 G.09 24/MCID 198

### **Cognate and Etymology Exercises:**

More information TBA.

### **Late Policy:**

Written assignments are subject to penalties if turned in later than 4:00 p.m. on their date due. Note also that **electronic submissions of written assignments will not be accepted**. Late papers will be docked 2% per day, including weekends; no paper will be accepted beyond two weeks after the due date. Extensions for assignments must be obtained no later than 4:00 p.m. the day before the assignment is due. If you do not or cannot deliver your paper in class on the due date, you must drop it off in the English Department Drop-Box, located outside the English Office in University College **do not slip your paper under my office door**.

### **Participation/Attendance:**

Attendance will be taken daily, and your attendance in class will form the bulk of this grade. However, your participation in class – answering and asking questions, engaging in discussions and so forth – will also play a factor in determining the full extent of this grade. **I cannot stress enough how much regular attendance in this class is vital in order to achieve a passing grade, or better**: missing one class is equivalent to missing an entire week in a regularly scheduled course. Also, as will very quickly become apparent (by the second class), the technical aspects of this course require a good deal of attention and concentration in order to come to terms with them – and you will need to come to terms with them in order to pass the course – and the very best foundation for that (beyond keeping up with the readings) is regular, in-class attendance.

### **Exam:**

The exam will cover the entire course; it will be held sometime during the exam period.

### **Plagiarism:**

academic offence and will result, at the very least, in a zero for the assignment. For further information, see the Scholastic Offence Policy in the Western Academic Calendar - [http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic\\_policies/appeals/scholastic\\_discipline\\_undergrad.pdf](http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/appeals/scholastic_discipline_undergrad.pdf)

Be aware that if you are caught engaging in plagiarism, it will result, *at the very least*, in a zero for the assignment.

### **Academic Accommodation:**

Students seeking academic accommodation on medical grounds for any missed tests, exams, participation components and/or assignments worth 10% or more of their final grade must apply to the Academic Counselling office of their home Faculty and provide documentation. Academic accommodation cannot be granted by the instructor or department. Documentation shall be

together with a request for relief specifying the nature of the accommodation being requested. The UWO Policy on Accommodation for Medical Illness and further information regarding this policy can be found at [http://uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic\\_policies/appeals/accommodation\\_medical.pdf](http://uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/appeals/accommodation_medical.pdf).

### **Downloadable Student Medical Certificate (SMC):**

[http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic\\_policies/appeals/medicalform.pdf](http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/appeals/medicalform.pdf)

### **Use of Laptops and Phones in Class – Classroom Etiquette:**

Laptop use is permitted in lectures; however, they must be used for the purpose of taking notes



**Week 11 – Nov. 12 and 14; Cognate Exercise Due, Nov. 12**

*EL*, Chapter 7

**Week 12 – Nov. 19 and 21**

*EL*, Chapter 7 (concl.)

**December**

**Week 13 – Nov. 26 and 28**

(Website)

**Part 3: Middle English**

**Week 14 – Dec. 3 and 5; Test #3, Dec. 5**

*EL*, Chapter 8

**WINTER TERM**

**January**

**Week 1 - Jan. 7 and 9**

*EL*, Chapter 9

**Week 2 – Jan. 14 and 15**

Turville-Petre, Thorlac.

**March**

**Week 10 – March 4 and 5**

*EL* Chapter 11 (pp. 375-378)

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**Part 5: Modern English**

**Week 11 – March 11 and 13; Test #5, March 13**

*EL*, Chapter 12 (pp. 381-402)

**Week 12 –**

