2025 英語音声学A — Phonetics and Phonology A

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授業のテーマ — Course Topic

Basics of articulatory phonetics and its use to explain English pronuciation

到達目標 — Course Objectives

After completing this class you will be able to

- Explain the basics of making English speech sounds
- Explain the differences of English speech sounds and Japanese speech sounds
- Read and write using the phonetic alphabet
- Improve your English pronunciation through weekly practice of challenging sounds

授業外における学習(準備学習の内容) — Required Preparation

As part of this class you will need to make an account on AnkiWeb and use this to practice weekly using materials provided by the teachers

評価基準と評価方法 — Evaluation

The grade for this class is based on

- Quizzes and practice reports 50%
- Recording and other assignments 50%

履修上の注意 — Requirements

You must complete assignments in a timely manner and show that you practiced actively

参考書 - Reference Material

All materials for this class will be provided through Manaba

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Week	Date	Торіс	Quiz & HW
1	2025.4.9	Explain Anki, and Anki set-up	HW: favorite things
2	2025.4.16	Syllables	Q: how many syllables
3	2025.4.23	Vocal tract and the making of consonants	Q: matching sounds
4	2025.4.30	Using the IPA to write sounds, IPA practice	Q: making English sounds
5	2025.5.7	Making vowels; the Vowel Triangle	Q: IPA consonants
6	2025.5.14	Practice: English vowels, writing vowels	HW: Vowel practice
7	2025.5.21	Vowels and Spelling	Q: IPA vowels
8	2025.5.28	Practice: short vowels, low vowels, æ a A	Ex: 'a' practice HW: 'a' practice
9	2025.6.4	Diphtongs & Vowel length	
10	2025.6.11	Overview consonants [manner] Practice: r vs. l	HW: DIY rl quiz
11	2025.6.18	RL quiz	
12	2025.6.25	b vs. v articulation i vs. yi and u vs. wu	HW: b/v
13	2025.7.2	th vs. s, th vs. z s vs. sh before i	HW: th
14	2025.7.9	words ending in n, m, ng Linking	
15	2025.7.16	Repeat and review	