ENGL 7335: SOCIOLINGUISTICS  
(from a Linguistic Anthropology Perspective)  
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The main focus of this course is to study and explore the meaning and function of language in context, where context refers to ethnicity, social class, gender, geographical region, age, and a growing number of other socio-cultural, historical, and political factors. Students will read both theoretical frameworks and empirical studies in a range of rising areas that include, but are not limited to, language ideology, language variation and change, language and literacy, multilingualism, mobility, identity, and ethnography. By the end of the course, students will be able to carry out a research project based on sociolinguistic and ethnographic frameworks and to apply what they learn in class to various fields such as anthropology, communication, education, and sociology.

Required Textbooks

Additional books may be assigned. Additional readings other than book-length works will be posted on Blackboard.

For one of the assignments, Book Review/Report, students choose one from the following (tentative) list: