

SYLLABI

Course Number and Title

Hindi 506

Unique Numbers of Sections

31230

31235

31240

31245

Instructor's name, Office Location and Office Hours

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31230

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Course Objectives

1. To acquire **four** skills in Hindi:

- A. Listening : Ability to understand simple, everyday conversation**
- B. Speaking : Ability to handle simple situations**
- C. Reading : Ability to read short, simple reading materials**
- D. Writing : Ability to write short letters and themes in Devanāgarī script.**

2. To acquire a basic knowledge of Hindi grammar.

3. To become familiar with the cultural contexts in which Hindi is used

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Textbook (required)

Teach Yourself Hindi (TYH) (by Dr. Rupert Snell)

Grading

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| Four exams (10% each) | : 40% |
| Final Exam | : 20% |
| Homework (Regular) | : 10% |
| Quizzes (Random) | : 10% |
| Attendance, Punctuality and Class Participation | : 20% |

NOTE

(a) Homework assignments must be turned in on time (Monday) for credit.

(b) There will be no Homework and Quizzes on weeks when students will have Exams.

Classroom Policies

1. Students should bring the appropriate textbook to class each day.
2. Class attendance and participation are required and essential to students' progress.

Studying Hindi : Requirements (What students are expected and required to do)

1. In learning a foreign language, it is important to study EVERY DAY.
Students are expected to spend at least one hour a day studying Hindi outside of class.
2. They are expected come prepared, read appropriate textbook, do assignments on time and try to do the exercises and activities BEFORE classes.
3. Students are expected to actively participate in class and to use Hindi whenever possible.
4. They are expected to spend as much time as possible studying with practice tapes in the language lab and with the tapes that come with the textbook.
5. **Review:** Students are expected to develop a systematic way of organizing the increasingly large amounts of materials for which they will be responsible.
Language learning requires constant **review of previously learned material.**
Students are expected to pay particular attention to the vocabulary lists at the end of each chapter of the textbook.

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EXAMS:

- There will be **four exams** during the Fall Semester, **plus a Final (in December)**.
- There will be no Quiz and / or Home Work in those weeks in which exams will be held.
- Dates of Exams are as follows:

1. **September 16th (Thursday)**
2. **October 07th (Thursday)**
3. **October 28th (Thursday)**
4. **November 18th (Thursday)**

THE FINAL EXAM:

Proposed Dates

Primary Exam : Thursday, **December 09th, 2010, 07.00PM-10.00PM**
Make Up Exam : Monday, **December 13th, 2010, 07.00PM-10.00PM**

These are the **proposed** dates, pending approval of the concerned authorities / administration.

HOW MUCH WILL WE COVER THIS SEMESTER (2010)

- We will cover topics and components up to **Chapter 12 TYH** (the textbook).
- We may not always follow the exact lay out / pattern of our text book but **WILL** cover all the elements contained therein, depending upon the pace of actual learning and and of proficiency acquired by the students and also depending upon proficiency requirements of students
- Ample opportunity will be created and offered for Practicing the Language in and out of classrooms.
- Weekly Schedules for the **upcoming week** are posted on the Black Board by the end of each week.