Course Abstracts

1. Current Issues in the Theory of Phonology

This course assumes a basic knowledge of Government Phonology. Topics to be discussed include:

- a. Licensing Constraints
- b. Consonantal Representations
- c. Tonal Systems
- d. Phonological system parameters
- e. The (non-) role of phonetics in phonology.
- f. The Phonology-Morphology interface.
- 2. Phonology of Chinese languages

This course will present the major structural aspects of the phonological systems of a variety of Han languages. Topics will include:

- a. The Han Template
- b. Topics in Mandarin (Putonghua) phonology
 - 1. The nuclear system.
 - 2. The onset systems.
 - 3. The tone system.
- c. Other Han languages
 - 1. Cantonese
 - 2. Kunming (Mandaring)
 - 3. Yichang (Mandarin)