English Pronunciation & Language Drill (2)

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Class time: Thursday (8:10-10:00; 10:10-12:00)

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Textbooks: Audio/visual materials prepared by the instructor

Website: http://web.ntpu.edu.tw/~ckliu/pronunciation/ntuespeech.html

- Objectives: This course is designed to
 - (1) enhance students' listening and presentation abilities in English and
 - (2) train the students to elaborate the materials through oral presentations.
- Instruction: The materials will be shown in class and students will be asked to do their oral presentations of various types, ranging from oral presentations to debates. All students will also be required to transcribe an oral passage posted on the website each week and repeat the content in class. The materials will be authentic speeches recorded from all possible media in 3 to 6 minutes. Other than the recitation of the familiar pieces, the instructor will introduce the skills related to different types of speech. Newspapers, short stories, or other printed materials will also be part of the materials.

	Total	100%
	Final	20%
	Midterm	20%
	Assignments	20%
Grades:	Participation and performance in class	40%

A tentative schedule

- 2/28 Holiday
- 3/07 New plans for the new semester; Grouping the students and introducing how to make presentations
- 3/14 Applying strategies taught to prepared presentations
- 3/21 Leave of absence
- 3/28 Students' performance and peer evaluation
- 4/04 Holiday
- 4/11 How to convince people? Critical thinking and logical fallacies (1)
- 4/18 How to convince people? Critical thinking and logical fallacies (2)
- 4/25 How to convince people? Critical thinking and logical fallacies (3)
- 5/02 Principles and strategies in argumentation (1)
- 5/09 Principles and strategies in argumentation (2)
- 5/16 Principles and strategies in argumentation (3)
- 5/23 Debate & discussion (1) (Prepare the debate in groups)
- 5/30 Debate & discussion (2)
- 6/06 Debate & discussion (3)
- 6/13 **Debate/presentations (1)**
- 6/20 **Debate/presentations (2)**

Please prepare an oral presentation about one thing you did or experienced, during the winter vacation, which you think has changed your values in life or your attitude towards life. Please follow the principles and strategies we mentioned in class.