

**LINGUISTICS 213**  
**DIACHRONIC LINGUISTICS**  
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Week 01	Jun 22	Preliminaries
Week 02	Jun 29	Introduction to diachronic studies
		Phonetic change (TC Ch. 2 – 3)
		Phonetic vs. phonemic change (TC Ch. 4)
Week 03	Jul 6	<i>Assignment 1: phonetic change in Philippine languages</i>
		The comparative method and linguistic reconstruction (TC Ch. 5)
Week 04	Jul 13	The comparative method and linguistic reconstruction (TC Ch. 5)
		Internal reconstruction (TC Ch. 6)
Week 05	Jul 20	Challenges to regularity
		<i>Assignment 2: essay on Campbell (1996)</i>
		On the limits of the comparative method
		<i>Assignment 3: essay on Harrison (2003)</i>
Week 06	Jul 27	Subgrouping: Linguistic classification (TC Ch. 8)
		Lexicostatistics
		Subgrouping and circularity
		<i>Assignment 4: essay on Blust (1999)</i>
Week 07	Aug 3	Research break
Week 08	Aug 10	Research break
Week 09	Aug 17	Paz (1981)
		<i>Assignment 5: critique of Paz (1981)</i>
Week 10	Aug 24	Syntactic change (TC Ch. 7)
		Semantic change and lexical change (TC Ch. 7)
		<i>Assignment 6: probable syntactic changes in Filipino</i>
		<i>Assignment 7: semantic changes in Filipino</i>
Week 11	Aug 31	Grammaticalization
		<i>Assignment 8: essay on Heine (2003)</i>
Week 12	Sep 7	Language contact (TC Ch. 12)
		Contact-induced change
		<i>Assignment 9: essay on Ross (1996)</i>
Week 13	Sep 14	Language death
Week 14	Sep 21	Cultural reconstruction (TC Ch. 13)
Week 15	Sep 28	Research Break
Week 16	Oct 5	Research Break
Week 17	Oct 12	Submission of papers

**REQUIREMENTS:**

Homework (9)  
 Paper (2)

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