

Victoria University of Bangladesh
 Course Profile
 Fall Semester, 2016
 ENG 403: Introduction to Semantics

Objective: The purpose of this course is to introduce semantics with different connotative, denotative and contextual meanings. Addition to, at the end of the course, learners will have ideas about diverse meaning in case of word and sentence levels as well as situational deviation.

Marks distribution:

Item/Activity	Marks
Work Sheet (including class attendance, class test)	25%
Assignment and presentation	10%
Mid-term test	25%
Final examination	40%
Total	100%

Text book:

Semantics by F. R. Palmer, The study of Language by George Yule

Lecture Plan:

Lecture No.	Lecture Topic
1	An introduction to semantics and pragmatics
2	Different kinds of semantics
3	Synonyms, antonyms, homonyms and polysemy
4	Affixes: Suffix, prefix, infix
5	Importance of semantics
6	Class test (1)
7-8	The system of semantics (Naming theory)
9-10	Lexical semantics (Collocations and idioms)
11-12	Review
	Mid Term
13	Introduction to <u>pragmatics</u>
14	Different contexts of pragmatic
15-16	Speech act
17-19	Implicature and conversational principal
20-21	Different types of maxims
22	Class test (2)
23	Presentation
24	Review
	Final Exam

