Instructor and course information:

Instructor: Dr. K. Pennesi
Method of delivery: Blended (In person Friday 10:30 am – 12:30 pm; one hour asynchronous)
Credit value: 0.5
Antirequisites: None.
Prerequisites: None.
Anthropology 1027A/B

Course Description:
Discourse is broadly defined as language in use (talk, text or signed). In this course, we will be studying several types of discourse analysis, all of which involve the study of discourse within cultural and social contexts. We will consider both the interactional structure and the social principles (pragmatics) that influence the production and interpretation of discourse. In addition to analytic models, we will also address issues of data collection, transcription and representation of linguistic features. Because discourse analysis is best learned by practice, students will be required to conduct original research, collecting, transcribing and analyzing data, and presenting findings.

A full course schedule including a week-by-week breakdown of topics and assigned readings will be available on the course’s OWL Brightspace site before the first day of class.

Course Materials:

Other required readings will be available through the Course Readings tool on the course site.

Evaluation:
Grades will be based on the following:

- Participation (in class) 10%
- Weekly Exercises (online) 20%
- Transcription 15%
- Oral Presentation 25%
- Essay 30%

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