

# TPP 4730C - VOICE PRODUCTION IV - SYLLABUS

INSTRUCTOR: MARK BROTHERTON ..... COURSE: TPP 4730C -001 – DIALECTS (3 CREDITS)  
OFFICE HOURS: 11:30-1:30 M/W OR BY APPOINTMENT ..... CLASS TIME: 10:00 -11:50/TR  
OFFICE: RM 214 – PAC..... CLASS LOCATION: REHEARSAL 116  
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## COURSE DESCRIPTION

This Voice IV class is a study of the following dialects: BRITISH, IRISH, COCKNEY, NEW YORK, GERMAN, SOUTHERN, ITALIAN, SPANISH, SCOTTISH, FRENCH, and RUSSIAN. The class will also review Lessac and Skinner techniques.

## COURSE OBJECTIVES

By the end of the course, students should have the tools and knowledge to transcribe and perform 9 dialects.

## REQUIRED TEXTS/SUPPLIES

STAGE DIALECT STUDIES.....BARRY KUR

## RECOMMENDED TEXTS/SUPPLIES

SPEAK WITH DISTINCTION.....EDITH SKINNER

THE USE AND TRAINING OF THE HUMAN VOICE.....ARTHUR LESSAC

## ASSIGNMENTS/GRADING POLICY

TEST.....17 POINTS  
NINE DIALECT PRESENTATIONS (2 TYPED COPIES WITH HAND WRITTEN TRANSCRIPTION BELOW).....63 POINTS  
FINAL (5 DIALECT PRESENTATIONS).....20 POINTS  
TOTAL.....100 POINTS

A	4.00	94 - 100	A-	3.75	90 - 93	B+	3.25	87 - 89
B	3.00	83 - 86	B-	2.75	80 - 82	C+	2.25	77- 79
C	2.00	73 - 76	C-	1.75	70 - 72	D+	1.25	67 - 69
D	1.00	63 - 66	D-	.75	60 - 62	F	0.00	59 -UNDER

## GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Do not miss a class when a performance assignment is due.
2. Bring those texts needed to classes.
3. Makeup exams will occur only if exceptional circumstances apply (i.e. - funeral, hospitalization, etc.)
4. Silence cell phones
5. Do not leave the class to answer a cell phone
6. Please arrive early or on time for class and do not leave before the class is dismissed.
7. Only water is allowed in the classroom

## ABSENCE POLICY

1. Attendance is mandatory. This is an ensemble and professional class. There is no reason for an absence. Any unexcused absence will affect your grade. **You have two (2) unexcused absences, any unexcused absence after that will result in the dropping of one full letter grade (B to C). FIVE unexcused absences will result in the failure of the course. SIX excused absences may result in an incomplete and you will have to retake the course.** Excused absences are: your hospitalization, death in the family, observance of religious holidays, university sanctioned events. If you have an emergency situation that will affect your success in this class, it is your responsibility to communicate such a situation with the instructor at your earliest possible opportunity. In making a choice not to attend a particular class meeting, please remember that the text does not cover all the material that I will be presenting in class and I do not cover all the material that is presented in the textbook. However, all material may be included in the exams. Class starts at 2:30 – any time after is late. Three lateness's equals one absence.

2. Medical excuses will only be acceptable and unexcused if you have a doctor's note within 24 hours of the missed class (if you are out longer – please have the note dated and signed).
3. It is the policy of the university to reasonably accommodate absences due to observed religious holidays, however, the student will be held responsible for any material covered during the absence and you must inform the instructor during first week of class.
4. If you miss a performance assignment, quiz, midterm, or final - it may be made up only at the instructor or instructor/scene partner's discretion unless exceptional circumstances apply (i.e. funeral, hospitalization) or it is a university sanctioned event.
5. ACTF will be considered an excused absence (you are still responsible for the work missed). You may choose **one** of the following as another excused absence: FTC/SETC, UPTA, URTA, USSITT, and LDI (again, you are responsible for the work missed). Also, the excused time only includes three days – two days for travel and one day for audition.
6. It is now a departmental policy that student may no longer leave early or arrive late due to internships. If you do use that time - it will be classified as an unexcused absence. Remember in my classes you two absences that I do not care about.

### **ADULT CONTENT:**

There are plays and materials in this course which may express adult or controversial themes as well as strong language. If this presents a problem for you, please see me immediately to address your concerns and assess your chances for success in the course.

### **CLASS ROOM CONDUCT:**

Students are expected to behave in a courteous, respectful, and responsible manner at all times in order to maintain a productive learning environment in the classroom. Disruptive behavior in any form will not be tolerated and may be cause for dismissal from the class, removal from the course, or grade penalties. Pagers, cell phones, electronic devices of any kind, excessive talking, tardiness, leaving early, reading the newspaper, sleeping, or confrontational behavior will not be allowed in class. After three disruptive incidents, the instructor may reduce the final grade by one percentage point for each successive incident.

### **OTHER:**

**PARTICIPATION, RESPONSE, AND ATTENTION:** If you are not performing, you owe it to your classmates to concentrate on the work that=s on stage.

**PREPARATION:** I expect all to be ready and prepared for deeper exploration – if you have not worked on your piece for a considerable time outside of class, take an “F” and let others use the class time.

**CRITIQUE:** I do not like reviews or opinions. If you like a person=s work, tell me why. If you don=t like their work, know how to make it better.

**CONTACT:** Since theatre requires the use of mind, voice, and body, there might be situations which require a certain amount of physical contact between you and the instructor and other students. If this presents a problem for you, please see the instructor immediately to assess your chances for success in the course.

### **CHANGES TO THE SYLLABUS:**

Changes to this syllabus may be necessary throughout the semester. I will present all changes verbally in class as well as in e-mail written form.

## UNIVERSITY POLICIES NOW REQUIRED IN ALL SYLLABI

### Financial Aid/Attendance

All faculty members are required to document students' academic activity at the beginning of each course. Since my courses are relatively small, I will do this through attendance. Failure not attending or not contacting me will result in a delay in the disbursement of your financial aid.

### Academic Integrity

Students should familiarize themselves with UCF's Rules of Conduct at <<http://osc.sdes.ucf.edu/process/roc>>. According to Section 1, "Academic Misconduct," students are prohibited from engaging in

1. Unauthorized assistance: Using or attempting to use unauthorized materials, information or study aids in any academic exercise unless specifically authorized by the instructor of record. The unauthorized possession of examination or course-related material also constitutes cheating.
2. Communication to another through written, visual, electronic, or oral means: The presentation of material which has not been studied or learned, but rather was obtained through someone else's efforts and used as part of an examination, course assignment, or project.
3. Commercial Use of Academic Material: Selling of course material to another person, student, and/or uploading course material to a third-party vendor without authorization or without the express written permission of the university and the instructor. Course materials include but are not limited to class notes, Instructor's PowerPoints, course syllabi, tests, quizzes, labs, instruction sheets, homework, study guides, handouts, etc.
4. Falsifying or misrepresenting the student's own academic work.
5. Plagiarism: Using or appropriating another's work without any indication of the source, thereby attempting to convey the impression that such work is the student's own.
6. Multiple Submissions: Submitting the same academic work for credit more than once without the express written permission of the instructor.
7. Helping another violate academic behavior standards.

For more information about Academic Integrity, consult the International Center for Academic Integrity <<http://academicintegrity.org>>.

For more information about plagiarism and misuse of sources, see "Defining and Avoiding Plagiarism: The WPA Statement on Best Practices" <<http://wpacouncil.org/node/9>>.

### Responses to Academic Dishonesty, Plagiarism, or Cheating

Students should also familiarize themselves with the procedures for academic misconduct in UCF's student handbook, *The Golden Rule* <<http://goldenrule.sdes.ucf.edu/docs/goldenrule.pdf>>. UCF faculty members have a responsibility for students' education and the value of a UCF degree, and so seek to prevent unethical behavior and when necessary respond to academic misconduct. Penalties can include a failing grade in an assignment or in the course, suspension or expulsion from the university, and/or a "Z Designation" on a student's official transcript indicating academic dishonesty, where the final grade for this course will be preceded by the letter Z. For more information about the Z Designation, see <<http://goldenrule.sdes.ucf.edu/zgrade>>.

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### Course Accessibility Statement

The University of Central Florida is committed to providing access and inclusion for all persons with disabilities. Students with disabilities who need disability-related access in this course should contact the professor as soon as possible. Students should also connect with Student Accessibility Services (SAS) <<http://sas.sdes.ucf.edu/>> (Ferrell Commons 185, [sas@ucf.edu](mailto:sas@ucf.edu), phone 407-823-2371). Through Student Accessibility Services, a Course Accessibility Letter may be created and sent to professors, which informs faculty of potential access and accommodations that might be reasonable. Determining reasonable access and accommodations requires consideration of the course design, course learning objectives and the individual academic and course barriers experienced by the student.

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### Campus Safety Statement

Emergencies on campus are rare, but if one should arise during class, everyone needs to work together. Students should be aware of their surroundings and familiar with some basic safety and security concepts.

1. In case of an emergency, dial 911 for assistance.
2. Every UCF classroom contains an emergency procedure guide posted on a wall near the door. Students should make a note of the guide's physical location and review the online version at <[http://emergency.ucf.edu/emergency\\_guide.html](http://emergency.ucf.edu/emergency_guide.html)>.
3. Students should know the evacuation routes from each of their classrooms and have a plan for finding safety in case of an emergency.
4. If there is a medical emergency during class, students may need to access a first-aid kit or AED (Automated External Defibrillator). To learn where those are located, see <<http://www.ehs.ucf.edu/AEDlocations-UCF>> (click on link from menu on left).
5. To stay informed about emergency situations, students can sign up to receive UCF text alerts by going to <<https://my.ucf.edu>> and logging in. Click on "Student Self Service" located on the left side of the screen in the toolbar, scroll down to the blue "Personal Information" heading on the Student Center screen, click on "UCF Alert", fill out the information, including e-mail address, cell phone number, and cell phone provider, click "Apply" to save the changes, and then click "OK."
6. Students with special needs related to emergency situations should speak with their instructors outside of class.
7. To learn about how to manage an active-shooter situation on campus or elsewhere, consider viewing this video (<<https://youtu.be/NIKYajEx4pk>>).

### Campus Safety Statement for Students in Online-Only Courses

Though most emergency situations are primarily relevant to courses that meet in person, such incidents can also impact online students, either when they are on or near campus to participate in other courses or activities or when their course work is affected by off-campus emergencies. The following policies apply to courses in online modalities.

1. To stay informed about emergency situations, students can sign up to receive UCF text alerts by going to <<https://my.ucf.edu>> and logging in. Click on "Student Self Service" located on the left side of the screen in the toolbar, scroll down to the blue "Personal Information" heading on the Student Center screen, click on "UCF Alert", fill out the information, including e-mail address, cell phone number, and cell phone provider, click "Apply" to save the changes, and then click "OK."
2. Students with special needs related to emergency situations should speak with their instructors outside of class.

### Make-Up Assignments for Authorized University Events or Co-curricular Activities

Students who represent the university in an authorized event or activity (for example, student-athletes) and who are unable to meet a course deadline due to a conflict with that event must provide the instructor with documentation in advance to arrange a make-up. No penalty will be applied. For more information, see the UCF policy at <<http://policies.ucf.edu/documents/4-401.1MakeupAssignmentsForAuthorizedUniversityEventsOrCocurricularActivities.pdf>>

### Religious Observances

Students must notify their instructor in advance if they intend to miss class for a religious observance. For more information, see the UCF policy at <<http://regulations.ucf.edu/chapter5/documents/5.020ReligiousObservancesFINALOct17.pdf>>.

### Deployed Active Duty Military Students

Students who are deployed active duty military and/or National Guard personnel and require accommodation should contact their instructors as soon as possible after the semester begins and/or after they receive notification of deployment to make related arrangements.

**THESE POLICIES ARE FOR YOUR BENEFIT**  
**PLEASE, READ THEM OVER AND BE FAMILIAR WITH THEM**

SYLLABUS

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WEEK 1	THUR	8/21	SYLLABUS/COURSE INTRODUCTION	
	THUR	8/23	REVIEW OF SKINNER	

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WEEK 2	TUES	8/28	REVIEW OF SKINNER	
	THUR	8/30	REVIEW OF LESSAC	

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WEEK 3	TUES	9/4	REVIEW 11 POINTS OF GOOD SPEECH	
	THUR	9/6	FINISH REVIEW	

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WEEK 4	TUES	9/11	LEARN ITALIAN	
	THUR	9/13	LEARN ITALIAN	

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WEEK 5	TUES	9/18	LEARN SPANISH	PRESENT ITALIAN
	THUR	9/20	LEARN SPANISH	

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WEEK 6	TUES	9/25	LEARN BRITISH	PRESENT SPANISH
	THUR	9/27	LEARN BRITISH	REVIEW FOR TEST

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WEEK 7	TUES	10/2	LEARN BRITISH	REVIEW FOR TEST
	THUR	10/4		TEST

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WEEK 8	TUES	10/9	LEARN IRISH	PRESENT BRITISH
	THUR	10/11	LEARN IRISH	

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WEEK 9	TUES	10/16	LEARN COCKNEY	PRESENT IRISH
	THUR	10/18	LEARN COCKNEY	

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WEEK 10	TUES	10/23	LEARN FRENCH	PRESENT COCKNEY
	THUR	10/25	LEARN FRENCH	

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WEEK 11	TUES	11/30	LEARN GERMAN	PRESENT FRENCH
	THUR	12/1	LEARN GERMAN	

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WEEK 12	TUES	11/6	LEARN RUSSIAN	PRESENT GERMAN
	THUR	11/8	LEARN RUSSIAN	

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WEEK 13	TUES	11/13	LEARN SCOTTISH	PRESENT RUSSIAN
	THUR	11/15	LEARN SCOTTISH	

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WEEK 14	TUES	11/20	LEARN NEW ENGLAND, SOUTHERN, NEW YORK	PRESENT SCOTTISH
	THUR	11/22	<i>NO CLASS - THANKSGIVING</i>	

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WEEK 15	TUES	11/27	REVIEW	
	THUR	12/29	REVIEW	

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WEEK 16	TUES	12/4	<i>FINAL</i>	<i>10:00AM – 12:50PM</i>	<i>FINAL</i>
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