

Spring 2016: Intermediate Akan 2 (AKA 2201 Section 06E8)

Class/Period: M W F /07

Classroom: UST 0105

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Course description:

This course will introduce more advanced grammar and expanded vocabulary and focus on fluency in speaking, reading and writing simple to complex texts in standard Akan. These basic communicative skills will be built in various ways including a series of in-class and take home exercises (in Akan). There will be role-playing in class where various scenarios will be given and students will act out in Akan.

We will also read Akan story books, listen and write about specific social settings, e.g., home market places, etc. listening tasks will involve spontaneous face-to-face and recorded conversations. Class exercises will include grammar, storytelling/writing, dictation exercise, comprehension exercises (both written and listening comprehension), and essays on different contexts of language usage and of course role playing. AKA 3410 will concentrate on developing communicative skills to enable the learners engage in meaningful verbal activities with other speakers of Akan. Students are encouraged to look for Akan speakers both on and off campus and interact with them. This will give students real learning experiences to life outside the classroom.

Course Objective:

- Students should be able initiate and sustain conversations;
- Ask and answer questions related to personal needs; read, comprehend, compose, and discuss short Akan texts on familiar topics and current events such as family life, childhood experiences, naming ceremonies, marriage, and other cultural issues in Ghana.

Course Policy:

The course plan is subject to change to reflect students' interest while not disrupting the general outline of the course syllabus. Any such change(s) will be announced in the course of the semester.

In-Class activities:

Students will be selected to role-play/read dialogues and/or speak on given language situations. Grades will be awarded for class participation and preparations.

Nnaawɔtwe Adeyɔ	Dwumadie
Baako	Syllabus review
Mmienu	Phrase and Clause
Mmeensa	Nouns and Pronouns
Nan	Pronouns and Possessive Nouns
Num	Adjective
Nsia	Object
Nson	Opposite
Nwɔtwe	Idioms
Nkron	Idioms
Du	Proverbs
Du baako	Proverbs
Du mmienu	Riddles and Puzzles
Du mmeensa	Riddles and Puzzles
Du nan	Revision
Du num	Exams

Course requirements:

Class attendance/participation	10
Midterm exams	20
Homework	15
Project work	30
Final exams	25

Course materials**Required:**

Essegbey, J., Ofori, E., and Bass, M. online Beginning Akan 1 & 2

Ofori, S. A (2006). Ma Yenka Akan (Twi). Madison, Wisconsin. NARLC Press

Twumasi A. K. (1977). Okwankyerefou Pa Y3. Kumasi.