

**Ekaterina Vostrikova**  
**HS semantics: Attitude reports**

Thursdays 2:15-3:45

**Syllabus**

<b>Unit One: Introduction into attitude reports. Indefinites in attitude reports.</b>			
1	Oct 27	Hintikka semantics, <i>de re/ de dicto</i> , third readings, world variables, hard cases of third readings	Percus, Orin. 2000. "Constraints on some other variables in syntax". <i>Natural Language Semantics</i> 8(3), 173–229. Schwager, Magdalena. 2011. "Speaking of Qualities". In <i>Proceedings of SALT</i> (Vol. 19, pp. 395–412).
2	Nov 3	Introduction into the formal system  <i>de re/ de dicto</i> , third readings, world variables, hard cases of third readings	Schwager, Magdalena. 2011. "Speaking of Qualities". In <i>Proceedings of SALT</i> (Vol. 19, pp. 395–412).
3	Nov 10	Movement theory	Keshet, Ezra. 2011. "Split intensionality: A new scope theory of <i>de re</i> and <i>de dicto</i> ". <i>Linguistics and Philosophy</i> . doi:10.1007/s10988-011-9081-x. <a href="http://www.springerlink.com/content/d584131779263716/">http://www.springerlink.com/content/d584131779263716/</a>
4	Nov 17	Movement theory	Continuing the discussion
5	Nov 24	Limited world variable theory	Schwarz, Florian. 2012. "Situation pronouns in determiner phrases". <i>Natural Language Semantics</i> 20(4). 431–475.
6	Dec 1	The new version of the movement theory	Elliott, P.D. 2022. "A flexible scope theory of intensionality". <i>Linguist and Philos.</i> <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/s10988-022-09367-w">https://doi.org/10.1007/s10988-022-09367-w</a>
<b>Unit three: the internal composition of attitude reports</b>			
7	Dec 8	Is Hintikka semantics right for attitude reports?	Moulton, Keir. 2015. "CPs: Copies and Compositionality." <i>Linguistic Inquiry</i> 46(2): 305-342
8	Dec 15	Class cancelled	
9	Dec 22	Factivity presuppositions of attitude reports	Djäv, Kajsa. 2022. "Knowing and believing things: what DP-complements can tell us about the argument structure and composition of (factive) attitudes". To appear in <i>Journal of Semantics</i> . <a href="https://doi.org/10.3765/salt.v27i0.4189">https://doi.org/10.3765/salt.v27i0.4189</a>
10	Jan 12	NELS	
<b>Unit four: Embedded questions</b>			
11	Jan 19	<i>*believe whether/*believe who;</i>	Mayr, Clemens. 2019. "Triviality and Interrogative Embedding: Context Sensitivity, Factivity, and Neg-Raising." <i>Natural Language Semantics</i> 27: 227-278.

12	Jan 26	Predicates that can take some types of questions, but not others ( <i>Surprised why</i> / <i>*Surprised whether</i> ; <i>*I doubt why</i> / <i>I doubt whether</i> )	Uegaki, Wataru. 2021. "The doubt-whether puzzle".
13	Feb 3	The semantics of 'hope' and <i>*hope who/*hope whether</i> ; predicates of relevance ( <i>care why</i> )	Uegaki, Wataru and Yasutada Sudo. 2019. "The *Hope-Wh Puzzle." <i>Natural Language Semantics</i> 27: Uegaki, Wataru. 2021. "The doubt-whether puzzle". 323-356.
<b>Unit five: Presuppositions in attitude reports</b>			
14	Feb 9	Presupposition projection	Heim, Irene. 1992. "Presupposition Projection and the Semantics of Attitude Verbs", <i>Journal of Semantics</i> , Volume 9, Issue 3, , Pages 183–221, <a href="https://doi.org/10.1093/jos/9.3.183">https://doi.org/10.1093/jos/9.3.183</a>

**Grade:**

Class attendance

Active participation in class discussions

**Final paper is due March 25**

**Options for the final paper:**

Option 1: I will provide one question for each of the class sessions. For your final project choose 6 questions and write up the answers for each of them (the length of the entire project should be about 6 pages).

Option 2: Find a novel empirical phenomenon and write an original squib about that phenomenon. Discuss which theory the phenomenon you found supports or challenges. Talk to me about the phenomenon you want to write about if you want to choose this option (the length of the entire project should be about 6 pages).