Veranstalter:	Prof. Dr. Günter Radden
Thema:	Pidgins and Creoles: Tok Pisin [AA-V2a/b, ENG-11, AA-M3, AA-M8, AA-W]
Art der Veranstaltung:	Seminar II
Veranstaltungsnummer:	53-517
Zeit:	2st., Do 16-18
Raum:	Phil 1269
Beginn:	5. April 2012

## **Course description:**

This course provides an overview of the origin and nature of pidgin and creole languages, their social and cultural development, their linguistic structure and the linguistic theories associated with them. The emphasis will be on the English-based pidgin language Tok Pisin, also referred to as New Guinea Pidgin or Melanesian Pidgin. Tok Pisin is of special interest to creolists because of its recent origin and its rapid development into a creole language. In order to get a feeling for pidgin and creole languages, we will spend a substantial part of the time on the study of spoken and written Tok Pisin texts. Basic familiarity with Tok Pisin allows us to get a better understanding of the interesting phenomena surrounding the origin and structure of a reduced contact language and its expansion into a new full-fledged language.

## **Suggested reading:**

Dutton, Thomas and Dicks Thomas. 1985. A New Course in Tok Pisin. Canberra: ANU.

Holm, John. 2000. An Introduction to Pidgins and Creoles. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Mihalic, F. 1971. *The Jacaranda Dictionary and Grammar of Melanesian Pidgin*. Brisbane: Jacaranda Press.

Mühlhäusler, Peter. 1986. Pidgin and Creole Linguistics. Oxford: Blackwell.

Mühlhäusler, Peter, Thomas Dutton, and Suzanne Romaine, eds., 2003. *Tok Pisin Texts: From the Beginning to the Present.* Amsterdam: John Benjamins.

Romaine, Suzanne. 1988. Pidgin and Creole Languages. London: Longman.

Todd, Loreto.1984. Modern Englishes: Pidgins and Creoles. Oxford: Blackwell.

Todd, Loreto. 1990. Pidgins and Creoles. London, Boston: Routledge and Kegan Paul.

Verhaar, John WM. 1995. *Toward a Reference Grammar of Tok Pisin*. Honolulu: University of Hawaii Press.

## **Course requirements:**

Students who wish to take this course for credit are expected to

- (i) attend the course regularly throughout the whole term,
- (ii) give a presentation which serves as a basis for discussion,
- (iii) write a term paper to be handed in no later than August 24, 2012.

Sprechstunde während der Vorlesungszeit:	Do 15-16 Uhr, Phil 115
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