

A constructionist approach to grammar

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Lectures will explain the power of usage-based constructionist approaches to language for capturing commonalities, relationships and interactions among words, idioms, and more abstract syntactic patterns. We will cover basic fundamentals of the constructionist approach with special attention to empirical findings. Recent research relating to Large Language Models and a new perspective on autism and language will also be incorporated into presentations.

There are no prerequisites and no take-home assignments, except that we'll have time at each session for discussion, so bring comments, questions, and/or challenges.

To find relevant articles ahead of time(organized by topic): https://adele.scholar.princeton.edu/publications/topic.

A handful of other suggested readings will be made available here: https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/zdty6k7d1chgld94isgv1/AIVwHz-0LJUmRT2_EEHiBxA? rtlkey=w9p86y34whsdr9ggawvo2qf93&st=mtgx88xj&dl=0