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CAS LX432 / GRS LX 732:
**Intermediate Semantics:
 The Grammatical Construction
 of Meaning**

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Note: Time still subject to change.



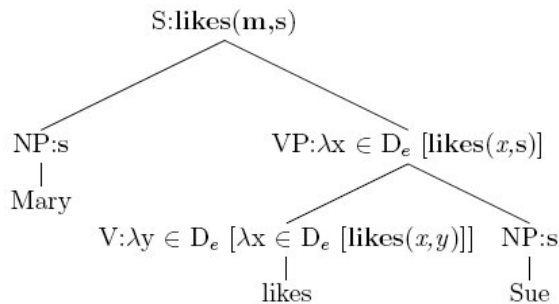
This is the second of a two-course sequence in linguistic semantics, designed to introduce students to core topics in the modern study of linguistic meaning, as well as the analytical tools involved in their investigation.

Prerequisite:

CAS LX 331/GRS LX 631 Semantics & Pragmatics or LX502 Semantics or consent of the instructor

Specific topics include:


the “aboutness” of language:
 what underlies our ability to use language to convey information about the world?



the indeterminacy of meaning:
 how can the same sentence come to convey more than one meaning?

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 of a structure

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[[]] = carrot

[[]] = bowling pin

the relationship between meaning and structure:

how does a sentence’s meaning depend on its syntactic organization?

