

ENG108, Fall 2017

*Global English*

This course brings into focus variation in English. Variation is viewed in the context of English as a global language. Global English will thus be a major topic of this course. In addition, the topics to be discussed are the following: standard and non-standard English, standard English as a sociolinguistic problem, myths and misunderstandings about English, differences between British and American English, and communicative competence.

Required reading:

1. Crystal, David. 2012. *English as a global language*. Second edition (Canto Classics). Cambridge: CUP.
2. Milroy, James and Lesley Milroy. 2012. *Authority in language. Investigating Standard English*. Fourth edition. London: Routledge.
3. Materials available on Mitt UiB (under *Handouts*)

Recommended reading:

1. Fox, Kate. 2004. *Watching the English*. London: Hodder and Stoughton.
2. Janicki, Karol. 2005. *Standard British and American English*. Copenhagen: Djøf Forlag.
3. Lippi-Green, Rosina. 2012. *English with an accent. Language, ideology and discrimination in the United States*. Second edition. London: Routledge.
4. Philipson, Robert. 2003. *English-only Europe? Challenging language policy*. New York: Routledge.
5. Tannen, Deborah. 1992. *That's not what I meant*. London: Virago Press.
6. Tottie, Gunnel. 2002. *An introduction to American English*. Oxford: Blackwell.
7. Trudgill, Peter. 2000. *Sociolinguistics. An introduction to language and society*. Fourth edition. London: Penguin.
8. Wardhaugh, Ronald. 2000. *Proper English. Myths and misunderstandings about language*. Oxford: Blackwell.

