

Va'aomanū Pasifika
Pacific Studies & Samoan Studies

SAMO 101 INTRODUCTION TO SAMOAN 2008
Summer Trimester – Course outline

Course Organisation

1. **Staff**

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2. **Lectures:**

Aso Gafua	(Monday)	9.00 – 2.00PM	KK 204 *
Aso Lua	(Tuesday)	9.00 – 2.00PM	KK 204 *
Aso Tofi	(Thursday)	9.00 – 2.00PM	KK 204 *
Aso Faraile	(Friday)	9.00 - 2.00PM	KK 204 *

(* Kirk Building – Level 2 – Room 204)

3. **Tutorials:**

To be announced in classes

4. **Language Laboratory classes:**

Aso Tofi	(Thursday)	12.00-12.50pm	VZ011 *
Aso Faraile	(Friday)	1.00-1.50pm	VZ011 *

(* Von Zedlitz – Room 011)

Course Aims, Objectives and Content

5. Fa'aaliga/Notices:

Information about the course will be provided in lectures. Notices will also be posted on the Samoan Studies noticeboard at 6 Kelburn Parade.

6. Course Aims & Objectives:

The study of the Samoan language can give an insight into Samoan thought and culture, and the material read during the course sheds light on Samoan society. The main focus of this course will be on speaking, reading, writing with emphasis on speaking Samoan. This will be at an extremely simple level at first, but by the time students complete the subsequent language course 101 they will have read and should be able, with a dictionary to understand the Samoan language.

This course has two main objectives, and each is of equal importance. Students who pass the course should:

- * have a basic understanding and appreciation of the Samoan language, and some experience of reading Samoan.
- * have the necessary level of competence to take (SAMO 102) in the second half year.

7. TUTORIALS:

You are required to attend **4 hours of tutorial per week**. The minimum attendance for the trimester in order to satisfy course requirements is **8 tutorials**. Tutorial times will be sorted out on Monday, 17 November. **Tutorials will start on week 1, on Tuesday 18, November, from 11am-12pm.**

8. LANGUAGE LABS:

4 hour per week of language laboratory is required of each student. The minimum attendance for the trimester in order to satisfy course requirements is **8 language labs**. Classes will be sorted out by Monday 17, November. **Lab classes start on Tuesday 18, November, at 1-2pm.**

Lisi o Tusi Faitau: List of books / required texts

9. LISIO TUSI FAITAU:

Required texts:

- (a) Language - Gagana Samoa : A Samoan Language Course book by Galumalemana A Hunkin (**\$30.00**)
(available at Samoan Studies – preferably pay by cash)
- (b) Dictionary - Samoan/English Dictionary
G.B. Milner (tba)
(available at Victoria Book Centre)
- (c) Language Laboratory notes - Samo 101:
*These will be handed out individually during classes.
Please put them in a safe folder.*
- (d) Vocabulary copying

References

- (i) Reference - Books recommended in class.
- (ii) Samoan Basic Readers - Published by Learning Media
(Highly recommended for reading practice)
located in the Language Resource Centre
Library – *Von Zedlitz building*

10. Gāluega e Mana’omia / Assessments of Course Work

Course Work	-	60%
Oral exercises	-	30%
Mafutaga	-	10%

11. **Course Work** **60%**

(a) **2 Comprehension Assignments in Lang Labs.**

- (i) Week1 10%
To complete on – Thurs 20/11
- (ii) Week 2 10%
To complete on – Tuesday 25/11

(b) **1 Vocabulary assignment**

- Week 2 10%
Due on - Friday 28 November 2008

(c) **In Course tests**

- One
(iii) Week 1 - 15%
Friday 21 November 2008
- Two
(iv) Week 2 - 15%
Thursday 27 November 2008

These tests will take place in the normal class sessions. Details of the tests will be given out during class well before the tests.

12. (a) **Oral Exercises** - **30%**

Two oral exercises are required. The first one is an **oral examination worth 15%**. This will take place during **Mafutaga, 22 November, 2008**. The second one is an **oral comprehension**. This will take place on **Thursday 27 November, 2008**. **This is worth 15%**. Requirements for both exercises will be announced in class well before time.

13. **Mafutaga Nonofo Fa’atasi / Weekend Language Camp / 25%**

All students in Samoan 101 are required to spend one day on a weekend at a Language camp or Mafutaga. The weekend provides opportunities to gain insight into some of the customs and practices associated with a Samoan environment. Oral skills will receive a major focus during this weekend.

Failure to do so will result in denial to terms. Any student who cannot attend will need to bring a letter from the appropriate authority or a medical certificate from the doctor whichever is appropriate. A major assignment of 1500 words will be required from students who cannot attend for a very good reason.

Date: 22 November Venue: 6 Kelburn Pde Cost: \$20.00

14. WORKLOAD:

In line with faculty recommendations, it is expected that you should devote, on average 12 hours a week to this course. This includes attendance at lectures, tutorials and language laboratory work as well as preparation for classes, assignment preparation and the examinations.

15. SAMOAN RADIO BROADCASTS:

Students are encouraged to listen to radio broadcasts in the Samoan language on the following stations:

1. Samoan Capital Radio (783Am)
Monday - Thursday 7am-1pm
Friday 7am-6pm
2. Wellington Access Radio (783AM)
Tuesday nights 8.00pm-11pm
Friday nights 8.30pm-10pm
3. Niu FM (103.7 FM)
Thursday nights
Sunday nights 8pm – 4.00am

16. COURSE REQUIREMENTS (TERMS):

The following requirements must be fulfilled in order for students to satisfy course requirements.

1. Pass the **Oral Examination**.
2. Attend at least **8 Oral Tutorial** sessions.
3. Attend at least **8 Language Laboratory** sessions.
4. Attend the **Mafutaga/Weekend Language Camp**.
5. Complete the two assignments detailed above and pass them.

General University Policies and Statutes

Students should familiarise themselves with the University's policies and statutes, particularly the Assessment Statute, the Personal Courses of Study Statute, the Statute on Student Conduct and any statutes relating to the particular qualifications being studied; see the *Victoria University Calendar* available in hardcopy or under "about Victoria" on the Victoria homepage at:

http://www.victoria.ac.nz/home/about_victoria/calendar_intro.html

Information on the following topics is available electronically under "Course Outline General Information" at:

<http://www.victoria.ac.nz/home/about/newspubs/universitypubs.aspx#general>

- Student and Staff Conduct
- Academic Grievances
- Academic Integrity and Plagiarism
- Meeting the Needs of Students with Impairments
- Student Support

Academic integrity and plagiarism

Academic integrity is about honesty – put simply it means *no cheating*. All members of the University community are responsible for upholding academic integrity, which means staff and students are expected to behave honestly, fairly and with respect for others at all times.

Plagiarism is a form of cheating which undermines academic integrity. The University defines plagiarism as follows:

The presentation of the work of another person or other persons as if it were one's own, whether intended or not. This includes published or unpublished work, material on the Internet and the work of other students or staff.

It is still plagiarism even if you re-structure the material or present it in your own style or words.

Note: It is however, perfectly acceptable to include the work of others as long as that is acknowledged by appropriate referencing

Plagiarism is prohibited at Victoria and is not worth the risk. Any enrolled student found guilty of plagiarism will be subject to disciplinary procedures under the Statute on Student Conduct and may be penalized severely. Consequences of being found guilty of plagiarism can include:

- an oral or written warning,
- cancellation of your mark for an assessment or a fail grade for the course,
- suspension from the course or the University.

Find out more about plagiarism, and how to avoid it, on the University's website:

www.vuw.ac.nz/home/studying/plagiarism.html

Student Support

Staff at Victoria want students to have positive learning experiences at the University. Each faculty has a designated staff member who can either help you directly if your academic progress is causing you concern, or quickly put you in contact with someone who can. In the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences the support contacts are **Dr Allison Kirkman, Murphy Building, room 407** and **Dr Stuart Brock, Murphy Building, room 312**. Assistance for specific groups is also available from the Kaiwawao Māori, Manaaki Pihipihinga or Victoria International.

Manaaki Pihipihinga Programme

This programme offers:

- Academic mentoring for all Māori & Pacific students at all levels of undergraduate study for the faculties of Commerce & Administration and Humanities & Social Sciences. Contact Manaaki-Pihipihinga-Programme@vuw.ac.nz or phone 463 6015 to register for Humanities & Social Science mentoring and 463 8977 to register for mentoring for Commerce and Administration courses
- Postgraduate support network for the above faculties, which links students into all of the post grad activities and workshops on campus and networking opportunities
- Pacific Support Coordinator who can assist Pacific students with transitional issues, disseminate useful information and provide any assistance needed to help students achieve. Contact; Pacific-Support-Coord@vuw.ac.nz or phone 463 5842.

Manaaki Pihipihinga is located at: 14 Kelburn Parade, back court yard, Room 109 D (for Humanities mentoring & some first year Commerce mentoring) or Room 210 level 2 west wing railway station Pipitea (commerce mentoring space). Māori Studies mentoring is done at the marae.

Student Services

In addition, the Student Services Group (email: student-services@vuw.ac.nz) is available to provide a variety of support and services. Find out more at: www.vuw.ac.nz/st_services/

VUWSA employs Education Coordinators who deal with academic problems and provide support, advice and advocacy services, as well as organising class representatives and faculty delegates. The Education Office (tel. 463-6983 or 463-6984, email at education@vuwsa.org.nz) is located on the ground floor, Student Union Building.

Language Learning Centre

The Language Learning Centre (Level 0, Von Zedlitz Building) facilitates independent learning and supports the teaching of languages. The LLC is a friendly and supportive environment where you can immerse yourself in language and culture through access to a variety of multimedia language resources: everything from print, audio, DVDs, comprehensive computer software and access to live satellite TV in several languages. Enjoy the freedom to choose and direct your own learning: you select the materials and activities that you find interesting, which help you meet your needs and suit your learning style. Make time to study at the LLC regularly and you will reap the rewards of higher academic success.

Come and visit the centre at any time for advice and assistance, and to study. It is open year-round, with extended hours during university semesters

Week	Hour	Aso Gafua 17/11	Aso Lua 18/11	Aso Lulu 19/11	Aso Tofi 20/11	Aso Faraile 21/11	Aso To'ona'i
One 17-21	1	Lect	Lect	Lect	Lect	Lect	
	2	Lect	Lect	Lect	Lect	Lect	
	3	Lect	Tut 1	Tut 2	Tut 3	In course test 1	
	1-2pm		LLC1	LLC2	LLC- Comp Assign 1	LLC4	Mafutaga 22/11/ 8am4pm Oral exam 1
		24/11	25/11	26/11	27/11	28/11	
Two 24-28	1	Lect	Lect	Lect	Lect	Lect	
	2	Lect	Lect	Lect	Oral exam 2	In course test 1.	
	3	Tut 4	Tut 4	Tut 4	Tut 4	Tut 4	
	1-2pm		LLC Com Assign. 2		LLC	LLC	

CLASSES:

- Lect = Lectures
 Tut = Tutorials
 LLC = Language Laboratories