

## Time & Place

Murray Hall, Room 112  
Monday, Wednesday 1:10-2:30

## Website

<https://sakai.rutgers.edu/portal/site/semantics1>

You can also go to *sakai.rutgers.edu*. Login in and you should see a tab for this course, or look in the upper right hand corner for a drop down menu.

The website has a section called Resources. In that section, you will find a folder called Tools with a subfolder Fonts. This contains fonts I will be using for class handouts. Please install them.

## Assignments

There will be written assignments. Please hand them in on time. The website has a Drop Box. If you want to hand in assignments electronically, please put them there.

Please title your files: Name Due Date (date month) Title (if any),  
eg: Smith 5Nov Presupposition

## Plan

- I. What we talk about when we talk about semantics: Compositionality, Truth Conditions, Ambiguity, Entailment, Presupposition, Conversational Implicature, Object- and Metalanguage.
  - II. Generalized Quantifiers: compositionality, function-meanings
  - III. Variable Enriched Logical Forms:  $\theta$ -indices, binding indices, Predicate Rule & Quantifier Rules
  - IV. Proofs
  - V. Lambdas, characteristic functions, type-labels: the lingua franca of formal semantics
  - VI. Prenominal adjectives: Conjunctive Modifier Rule
  - VII. Relative Clauses (Head Raising Analysis)
  - VIII. Practice, Review, Taking Stock
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- IX. Pronouns: Predicate Quantifiers
  - X. Negation: s-Quantification
  - XI. Genitives.
  - XII. Events – Adverbial Modification.
  - XIII. Plurals and Mass Nouns
  - XIV. Degree Expressions
  - XV. Other Topics: Modals, Quantifier Domains, Attitude verbs, Tense....