*Wolof (Niger-Congo) Semantic Primes, with English equivalents (*Version 1, 2015)

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| **MA, NGA, KU, LU / LI~DARA, NIT, YARAM** | substantives |
| i, you, someone, something~thing, people, body |
| **XEET, BOKK** | relational substantives |
| kinds, parts |
| **-I / -A, BENN, -ENEEN** | determiners |
| this, the same, other~else |
| **BENN, ÑAAR, A-, -EPP, BARE, TUUTI~NÉEW** | quantifiers |
| one, two, some, all, much~many, little~few |
| **BAAX, BON** | evaluators |
| good, bad |
| **NDAW, MAG** | descriptors |
| big, small |
| **XAM, XELAAT, BËGG, BËGGU(L), YËGG, GIS, DÉGG** | mental predicates |
| know, think, want, don’t want, feel, see, hear |
| **NE /NI, BAAT, DËGG** | speech |
| say, words, true |
| **DEF, XEW, YËNGU** | actions, events, movement |
| do, happen, move |
| **NEKK, AM NA, DI / LA** | location, existence,specification |
| be (somewhere), there is, be (someone/something) |
| **BOS** | possession |
| (is) mine |
| **DUND, DEE** | life and death |
| live, die |
| **BU~B-I / B-A, LÉEGI, BALA, BA, YÀGG, DALDI, BI~BU, SAA~WAXTU** | time |
| when~time, now, before, after, a long time, a short time, for some time, moment |
| **FU~F-I / F-A, FI / FA, CI KAW, CI SUUF, SORE, CI DIGG, WET, CI BIIR, LAAL** | place |
| where~place, here, above, below, far, near, side, inside, touch |
| **-U(L)~DU, XÉY NA, MËN, NDAX(TE)~MOO TAX, SU (?)** | logical concepts |
| not, maybe, can, because, if |
| **LOOL, YOKK** | intensifier, augmentor |
| very, more |
| **N-I / N-A~LU MEL NI** | similarity |
| like~as |

**Notes**: • Exponents of primes can be polysemous, i.e. they can have other, additional meanings • Exponents of primes may be words, bound morphemes, or phrasemes • They can be formally complex • They can have language-specific combinatorial variants (allolexes, indicated with ~) • Each prime has well-specified syntactic (combinatorial) properties.