

Linguistics

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Majors

The Major in Linguistics

Total units required: 30 units, at least 24 of which must be from courses at the 300 level or higher

Required courses: 18 units

Code	Title	Units
Ling 170D	Introduction to Linguistics	3
Ling 309	Syntactic Analysis	3
Ling 311	Introduction to Semantics	3
Ling 312	Phonetics	3
Ling 313	Phonological Analysis	3
Ling 317	Introduction to Computational Linguistics	3
Total Units		18

Elective courses: 12 units

Students select 12 units from the courses listed below. At least 9 units must be at the 300 level or higher. At most, 6 units may be drawn from Ling 499 Independent Work For Senior Honors, Ling 500 Independent Study, and cross-listed courses that are not home-based in the Linguistics program.

Code	Title	Units
Ling 148	First-Year Seminar: The Linguistics of Constructed Languages	3
Ling 225D	Latin and Greek in Current English	3
Ling 258	Methods in Linguistic Research	3
Ling 263	Linguistics for Legal Purposes	3
Ling 315	Morphology	3
Ling 320	Historical and Comparative Linguistics	3
Ling 339	Introduction to Sociolinguistics	3
Ling 340	Linguistic Pragmatics	3
Ling 341	Linguistic Diversity in the United States	3
Psych 358	Language Acquisition	3
Ling 396	Linguistics Seminar	3
Ling 396W	Linguistics Seminar: Writing Intensive	3
Ling 408	Psychology of Language	3
Ling 427	Computation and Learnability in Linguistic Theory	3

Ling 466	Second Language Acquisition	3
Ling 495	Senior Seminar in Linguistics	3
Ling 499	Independent Work For Senior Honors	3-6
Ling 500	Independent Study	-6

Under certain circumstances, students may count a limited number of relevant courses not listed here toward their major. Such circumstances include study abroad and preparation for a specialized capstone. A specific plan of study must be worked out with the director of the Linguistics program in advance of the courses being taken.

Language requirement: Majors should normally have foreign language competency equivalent to one year of study at the college level. Classes taken to fulfill this requirement do not normally count toward the 30 total units required for the major.

Additional Information

Capstone: Primary majors must complete a capstone project. The capstone project is normally done during the senior year while taking Ling 320 Historical and Comparative Linguistics, Ling 495 Senior Seminar in Linguistics, Ling 499 Independent Work For Senior Honors, or Ling 500 Independent Study. Students wishing to count Ling 500 Independent Study for their capstone need to have their independent studies approved in advance by the director of the Linguistics program.

Senior Honors: Students with a university grade point average of 3.65 or higher and a linguistics GPA of 3.65 or higher at the end of their junior year may apply to enter the honors program by submitting a proposal for a senior thesis. If admitted into the program, the student registers for 3 units of Ling 499 Independent Work For Senior Honors during each semester of their senior year. The student must complete the thesis and pass an oral defense by the middle of March of their senior year.