

Minor in Linguistics

About the Program

The Minor in Linguistics is for those seeking to deepen their understanding of language by examining how it is represented, used, and processed. Our faculty work toward this goal through research and teaching in theoretical linguistics, focusing on phonology, syntax, semantics, pragmatics, and psycholinguistics as well as the interfaces among these domains of inquiry. In order to explore questions in these areas, we use multiple methods, including field methods, corpus-based methods, and experimental research methods.

We collect and analyze data from a wide range of the world's languages from both native and non-native speakers of these languages. This approach to the scientific study of language is the primary focus of our Minor in Linguistics.

Competencies

1. Upon completion, linguistics minors will be able to demonstrate knowledge of the structural properties of language at the sound, word, sentence, and meaning levels.
2. Upon completion, linguistics minors will be able to describe relevant characteristics of language data sets in terms of the phonological, syntactic, semantic, and pragmatic phenomena that they reveal.
3. Upon completion, linguistics minors will be able to apply critical reasoning skills to the analysis of language data and to the examination of language-related research questions.
4. Upon completion, linguistics minors will be able to collect language data for a project, drawing from common sources in the discipline (e.g., via interactions with relevant speakers or the use of online tools to query language corpora).
5. Upon completion, linguistics minors will be able to apply the knowledge they have gained through their studies to language-related research and professional development activities outside of classroom.

Curriculum

LING 2301	INTRODUCTION TO THE STUDY OF HUMAN LANGUAGE	3
LING 3311	PRINCIPLES OF LINGUISTIC ANALYSIS	3
LING 3330	PHONETICS AND PHONOLOGY	3
or LING 3340	SYNTAX I	
Select any 4000 level LING course.		3
Select any two undergraduate LING courses (<5000). ¹		6
Total Hours		18

¹ Students intending to pursue graduate study in linguistics should, however, follow a course program that includes these courses as part of their minor: LING 2301, LING 3311, LING 3330, and LING 3340.

Advising Resources

Students are highly encouraged to meet regularly with their assigned advisor—at least once per semester and before enrolling in classes—to ensure steady academic progress, identify new opportunities, and align their coursework with their long-term career goals.

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