Minor in Linguistics

Fall 2024 Requirements

What is Linguistics?

Linguistics is the scientific study of human language. Language is one of the most complex cognitive tasks that humans engage in, yet it is used effortlessly and subconsciously and is acquired by infants with no formal instruction. Language can be studied from many different angles: its formal properties comprise the core areas of phonology, morphology, syntax, and semantics; psycholinguistics is the study of the psychology of language (how it is represented in the mind/brain and how it is used in real time); language acquisition studies how infants acquire language; sociolinguistics studies language as a social construct; language typology investigates how languages differ and how they are the same. Applied areas of linguistics seek to improve methods of teaching second languages, or to improve the treatment of language disorders.

Linguistics Minor Requirements (18 credits)

Please note:

- No course can be used to satisfy more than one requirement within the minor.

- Students must earn a C- or higher in all courses within the minor.

- To receive honors credits for a 600-level course, please e-mail cgsc-advise@udel.edu; failure to do so may result in problems with your degree checkout.

- Students minoring in Linguistics and minoring or majoring in Cognitive Science may not count the same courses towards both programs, with the exception of LING101.

Abbreviation Key

A, B, C, D = Satisfies Breadth Requirements A (Creative Arts and Humanities), B (History and Cultural Change), C (Social and Behavioral Sciences), D (Mathematics, Natural Sciences and Technology) for the University and the College of Arts and Sciences. You can use the University' Course Search to identify University Breadth Courses being offered in upcoming semesters.

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DLE = Satisfies the Discovery Learning Experience requirement.

sub = Substitute course. E-mail cgsc-advise@udel.edu after enrolling in this course so we can get it to count on your degree audit.

prereq = Course must be completed prior to enrollment in designated course

coreq = Course may be completed at the same time as designated course

Foundational Coursework
(all of the following)
Total = 6 credits

Course	Title	Notes
LING101^C	Introductory to Linguistics	
LING202^d(cas)	Science of Language	*Prereqs*: LING101

Formal Linguistics (one of the following)
Total = 3 credits

Course	Title	Notes
CGSC490	Philosophy of Language	*X-listings*: PHIL490
LING403	Intro. to Phonology	*Prereqs*: LING101 and 202
LING404^C	Structure of Language	*Prereqs*: LING101
LING418	Meaning and Language Use	*Prereqs:* LING101 *X-listings*: CGSC418, PHIL418

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Restricted Electives

Total = 9 credits

Please note: Courses may be LING courses, courses cross-listed with LING (except independent studies), or CGSC170. 3 credits must be at the 300-level or above.

Course	Title	Notes
CGSC170	Intro. to Cognitive Science	
CGSC402$_{sub}$	Neurobiology of Language	*Prereqs*: LING101; CGSC170 *X-listings:* LING402
CGSC433	Intro. to Acoustic Phonetics	*Prereqs*: LING353 *X-listings:* LING433
CGSC490	Philosophy of Language	*X-listings:* PHIL490
CGSC496	Psycholinguistics	*Prereqs*: LING101 and 202 *X-listings:* LING496
EDUC462	Language Acquisition	*X-listings*: LING462, PSYC462
EDUC472	Teaching English as a Second Language	*X-listings*: LING472
ENGL390^C	English Linguistics	*Prereqs*: ENGL110 *X-listings*: LING390
FREN314$_{sub}$	French Phonetics	*Prereqs*: Any 200-level French course conducted in the French language.
FREN403^C$_{sub}$	Structure of French	*Prereqs*: FREN314 and another 300-level French course.
LINGX67	SEMINAR	
LING102^C	Language, Mind and Society	*X-listings*: CGSC102
LING201^B	Languages Invented for Books and Film	
LING203^C	Languages of the World	*X-listings*: LLCU203
LING222^C	Language and Gender	*X-listings*: WOMS222
LING265^C	Studies in Language	
LING353^{DLE}	Intro. to Speech and Hearing Science	*Prereqs*: LING101 *Coreqs*: LING202 *X-listings*: CGSC353
LING401^B	Historical Linguistics	*Prereqs*: LING101 *X-listings*: LLCU401
LING403	Introduction to Phonology	Prereqs: LING101 and 202
LING404^C	Structure of Language	Prereqs: LING101
LING418	Meaning and Language Use	*Prereqs*: LING101 *X-listings*: CGSC418, PHIL418
LING444	First Language Development	*Prereqs*: LING101
LING471^{C,DLE}	Discovering Human Language	*Prereqs*: LING101 *X-listings*: CGSC471

Restricted Electives (continued)

Course	Title	Notes
LING477	The Structure of English	*Prereqs*: LING101 *X-listings*: EDUC477, ENGL477
LING480	Sociolinguistics	*Prereqs*: LING101
LING499	Issues in Teaching English Language Learners	
LLCU421sub	Methods of Teaching Foreign Languages	*X-listings*: LING421
LLCU422sub	Language Syllabus Design	*X-listings*: LING422
LLCU424sub	Second Language Testing	*X-listings*: LING424
SPAN314sub	Spanish Phonetics and Phonology	*Prereqs*: SPAN200 *X-listings*: LING314

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