

LINGUISTICS (MINOR)

Linguistics is the scientific study of language: how it is structured, used, and learned. The interdisciplinary Minor in Linguistics is designed to enable students interested in the nature of language and its use in society to enrich a degree in any field, including modern languages, communication, anthropology, education, English, computer science, psychology, writing and rhetoric, and more.

Requirements

Students take two core courses and four electives. In order to ensure the interdisciplinary nature of the minor, no more than two elective courses may come from the same program.

Choose Two Core Courses

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
Required course on language in the mind *		4
MOL 220	HOW LANGUAGE WORKS	
or CMNS 221	HOW LANGUAGE WORKS: INTRODUCTION TO LINGUISTICS	
or ENG 222	INTRODUCTION TO LINGUISTICS	
or WRD 220	HOW LANGUAGE WORKS	
or ANT 390	SPECIAL TOPICS IN ANTHROPOLOGY	
Required course on language in society		4
Choose One:		
ANT 106	LANGUAGE AND CULTURE	
ASL 354	SOCIOLINGUISTICS FOR THE DEAF COMMUNITY	
CMNS 333	CULTURES IN CONVERSATION	
SPN 354	SPANISH SOCIOLINGUISTICS	
WRD 264	LANGUAGE, SELF AND SOCIETY	

*MOL 220 is cross-listed with CMNS 221, ENG 222, WRD 220, and ANT 390. Other topics in anthropology taught as ANT 390 do not apply to this minor.

Choose Four Electives

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
ASL 352	ASL LINGUISTICS	4
ASL 354	SOCIOLINGUISTICS FOR THE DEAF COMMUNITY	4
ANT 106	LANGUAGE AND CULTURE	4
ANT 317	LANGUAGE, POWER AND IDENTITY	4
BBE 316	SOCIOCULTURAL AND HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES IN BILINGUAL EDUCATION	4
BBE 326	THEORETICAL FOUNDATIONS OF TEACHING ESL AND WLE	4
or WLE 326	THEORETICAL FOUNDATIONS OF TEACHING ESL AND WLE	
BBE 355	HOW ENGLISH WORKS: ENGLISH SYNTAX FOR ESL AND BILINGUAL EDUCATION TEACHERS	4
BBE 360	SECOND, WORLD AND HERITAGE LANGUAGE ACQUISITION	4

or BBE 366	FIRST AND SECOND LANGUAGE ACQUISITION	
or ECE 325	SECOND LANGUAGE ACQUISITION AND EARLY LITERACY DEVELOPMENT	
or WLE 360	SECOND, WORLD AND HERITAGE LANGUAGE ACQUISITION	
BBE 370	LANGUAGE, LITERACIES AND CULTURES	4
or BBE 304	LANGUAGE, LITERACY AND CULTURE	
CMN 101	INTRODUCTION TO HUMAN COMMUNICATION	4
CMN 103	INTERCULTURAL COMMUNICATION	4-6
CMNS 308	TOPICS IN INTERCULTURAL COMMUNICATION (when applicable topic)	4
CMNS 328	HISTORY OF RHETORIC AND COMMUNICATION	4
CMNS 333	CULTURES IN CONVERSATION	4
CMNS 361	GENDER AND COMMUNICATION	4
CHN 211	LANGUAGE AND SOCIETY IN MODERN CHINA	4
CSC 397	TOPICS IN COMPUTER SCIENCE (when applicable topic)	2-4
ECE 307	LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT IN EARLY CHILDHOOD (BIRTH TO 8)	4
ENG 370	HISTORY OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE	4
FCH 322	FRENCH GRAMMAR AND USAGE	4
FCH 350	FRENCH PHONOLOGY AND PHONETICS	4
GER 351	GERMAN PHONOLOGY AND PHONETICS	4
HON 208	TOPICS IN SOCIO-CULTURAL INQUIRY (when applicable topic)	4
ITA 351	HISTORY OF THE ITALIAN LANGUAGE	4
ITA 352	ITALIAN LANGUAGE IN THE SOCIETY OF COMMUNICATION	4
ITA 353	ITALIAN PHONOLOGY AND PHONETICS	4
JPN 330	INTRODUCTION TO JAPANESE LINGUISTICS	4
MOL 349	TEACHING MODERN LANGUAGES	4
MOL 350	METHODS OF TEACHING MODERN LANGUAGES IN THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	4
MOL 354	THEORETICAL FOUNDATIONS/CURRENT RESEARCH SECOND/FOREIGN LANGUAGE ACQUISITION	4
MOL 356	PSYCHOLINGUISTICS	4
NET 364	VOICE COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGIES (FORMERLY TDC 364)	4
PHL 322	PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE	4
SPN 242	INTRODUCTION TO SPANISH LINGUISTICS	4
SPN 351	SPANISH IN THE U.S.	4
SPN 352	SPANISH PHONOLOGY AND PHONETICS	4
SPN 353	THE STRUCTURE OF SPANISH	4
SPN 354	SPANISH SOCIOLINGUISTICS	4
SPN 355	THE HISTORY OF THE SPANISH LANGUAGE	4
SPN 356	BILINGUALISM IN THE SPANISH-SPEAKING WORLD	4

SPN 391	SOCIOLINGUISTICS OF HERITAGE LANGUAGE LITERACY	4
WLE 349	STANDARD AND CONTENT-BASED METHODS OF TEACHING WORLD LANGUAGES K-12	4
WRD 264	LANGUAGE, SELF AND SOCIETY	4
WRD 330	LANGUAGE AND LINGUISTICS	4
WRD 362	SEMIOTICS	4
WRD 368	GLOBAL ENGLISHES	4
WRD 378	TEACHING ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE IN CHICAGO	4

Other courses involving the study of language may also be counted as electives on a case-by-case basis in order to make the minor maximally applicable to students from all courses of study. Such substitutions could include relevant topics courses, independent study courses, or the courses listed below. Substitutions must be approved by the Program Director.

Example related courses available for approval on an individual basis

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
AAS 338	ASIAN CULTURE AND COMMUNICATION	4
BBE 310	SPECIAL TOPICS IN LANGUAGE EDUCATION AND CULTURE	4
BBE 324 or ECE 314	METHODS OF TEACHING ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE METHODS AND MATERIALS FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION	4
CMNS 321	CULTURAL AND SYMBOLIC CRITICISM	4
CMNS 336	STORYTELLING: COMMUNICATION AS NARRATIVE	4
CSC 233	CODES AND CIPHERS	4
CSC 347	CONCEPTS OF PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES	4
PHY 206	SOUND AND ACOUSTICS	4
PSY 360	THEORIES OF LEARNING AND COGNITION	4
PSY 379	COGNITIVE NEUROSCIENCE	4
ARB/ASL/CHN/ FCH/GER/GRK/ ITA/JPN/LAT/ MOL/RUS/SPN 395	FOREIGN LANGUAGES ACROSS THE CURRICULUM	2