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Dear Andrew and Bernadette,

Linguistics requests the following minor changes to the Linguistics major curriculum requirements. These changes apply to both the honors and non-honors versions of the major. I am attaching the current advising sheets and revised advising sheets. We request that the changes be effective starting Spring 2025.

1. Linguistics majors must take one course each from two of the following subfields: Historical Linguistics, Sociolinguistics, Psycholinguistics, or Field Methods. We request three substitutions to courses fulfilling these categories.
 - a. **Add LING 3902** (Language Endangerment and Language Death) to the Historical Linguistics category. This course was recently brought back from limbo and approved for the Migration, Mobility, and Immobility Theme. As a Themes-level course, it covers material at an appropriate level for Linguistics majors. (Other Themes-level GEN courses already fulfill the same major requirement.)
 - b. **Remove LING 3601** (Language, Race, and Ethnicity in the U.S.) **and LING 3606** (Language, Gender, and Sexuality) from the Sociolinguistics category. When these courses were moved to the GEN Foundations level, they were revamped with more introductory material than previously. As a result, the courses are no longer appropriate as core courses in the major curriculum.

2. **Add LING 5552** (Field Methods 2) to the Language Co-requisite. This course had not been taught in many years but is likely to be taught in near future and fulfills the same learning goals as the currently approved courses. Note that LING 5551 and LING 5552 are not sequenced; they instead focus on different topics, so 5552 can be taken without 5551.

Please do not hesitate to let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,
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THE LINGUISTICS MAJOR (effective Autumn 2023)

At least 30 credit hours, excluding prerequisites and corequisites. Will lead to a BA in Linguistics. Students must receive a grade of C- or higher for credit towards the major program.

Prerequisite Coursework (does not count towards the major credit hours)

The following requirement should be completed before beginning major coursework. However, students may declare a Linguistics major before completing this requirement.

Introductory Course in Linguistics

Introduction to Linguistics: LING 2000 or LING 2000H

Corequisite Coursework (does not count towards the major credit hours)

Students may declare a Linguistics major and begin major coursework before completing these requirements. However, it is recommended that students complete them as early as possible.

Language Requirement. One course from:

World language beyond the GE requirement of the student's college, if any (taught in the language)

A second, not closely related language at any level (taught in the language), with permission

Field Methods: LING 4550 or 5551

A course on the linguistic structure of a non-English language or language family at the 4000-level or above (e.g. East European 5627, Korean 5380, Sanskrit 5902, Spanish 4430), with permission

Data Analysis Requirement. One course from:

Language & Formal Reasoning: LING 2001

Analyzing the Sounds of Language: LING 2051, 2051H

Linguistics & the Scientific Method: LING 4052

Data Analysis in Psychology: Psych 2220, 2220H

Major Coursework

Advanced Writing Requirement*. The following course:

0-3 credits

Writing for Linguistics: LING 3000

* May be used concurrently to fulfill a major elective.

Major Core Coursework

18 credits

Four courses from:

Phonetics: LING 4100

Syntax: LING 4200

Phonology: LING 4300

Morphology: LING 4350

Meaning: LING 4400

Two courses in two distinct areas:

Historical Linguistics: LING 3901 or 5901

Sociolinguistics: LING 3601, 3603, 3605, 3606, 4602 or 5601

Psycholinguistics: LING 3701, 3701H, 5701 or 5702

Field Methods: LING 4550 or 5551 (may be used concurrently to satisfy the language corequisite)

Major Electives

12 credits

Twelve credit hours of LING courses at the 2000-level or above. Relevant courses offered by other departments may be substituted with permission. Elective courses may be used to fulfill the Technology Literacy Requirement and/or the Advanced Writing Requirement.

Technology Literacy Requirement. One course from:

0-4 credits

Ethics of Language Technology: LING 3803

Codes and Codebreaking: LING 3801

Social, Ethical and Professional Issues in Computing: CSE 2501

Introduction to Computing Ethics and Effective Presentation: PHILOS 1338

LING 3803 and LING 3801 may be applied towards the Major Electives requirement but CSE 2501 and PHILOS 1338 cannot.



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Prerequisite Coursework (does not count towards the major credit hours)

The following requirement should be completed before beginning major coursework. However, students may declare a Linguistics major before completing this requirement.

Introductory Course in Linguistics

Introduction to Linguistics: LING 2000 or 2000H

Corequisite Coursework (does not count towards the major credit hours)

Students may declare a Linguistics major and begin major coursework before completing the co-requisite requirements. However, completing these requirements as early as possible is recommended.

Language Requirement. One course from:

- Study of a world language (taught in the language). Options include:
 - 3 credit hours of a language at the 2000-level or above
 - 3 credit hours of a language that was not used to fulfill the College of Arts and Sciences requirement, at any level
 - Placement via testing into a world language course such that the placement is equivalent to having completed one of the above categories
- Field Methods: LING 4550, 5551, or 5552
- A course of at least 3 credit hours on the linguistic structure of a non-English language or language family at the 4000-level or above (including but not limited to EEURLL 5627, KOREAN 5380, SANSKRT 5902, SPANISH 4430), with permission

Data Analysis Requirement. One course from:

- Language & Formal Reasoning: LING 2001
- Analyzing the Sounds of Language: LING 2051 or 2051H
- Linguistics & the Scientific Method: LING 4052
- Data Analysis in Psychology: PSYCH 2220 or 2220H

Major Coursework

Advanced Writing Requirement*. The following course:

- Writing for Linguistics: LING 3000
 - * May be used concurrently to fulfill a major elective.

Technology Literacy Requirement*. One course from:

- Ethics of Language Technology: LING 3803
 - * May be used concurrently to fulfill a major elective.
- Codes and Codebreaking: LING 3801
 - * May be used concurrently to fulfill a major elective.
- Social, Ethical and Professional Issues in Computing: CSE 2501
- Introduction to Computing Ethics and Effective Presentation: PHILOS 1338

Core Coursework

Any four of the following courses, taken in any order:

- Phonetics: LING 4100
- Syntax: LING 4200
- Phonology: LING 4300
- Morphology: LING 4350
- Linguistic Meaning: LING 4400

Choose one course each from two different areas:

- Historical Linguistics: LING 3901, 3902 or 5901
- Sociolinguistics: LING 3603, 3605, 4602 or 5601
- Psycholinguistics: LING 3701, 3701H, 5701 or 5702
- Field Methods: LING 4550, 5551, or 5552 (**may** be used concurrently to satisfy the language corequisite)

Major Electives

Twelve credit hours of LING courses at the 2000-level or above. LING courses used to fulfill the Advanced Writing Requirement and/or the Technology Literacy Requirement may be used concurrently as elective courses. Major Elective courses may not be used to satisfy any other requirements of the major. Courses on linguistic topics offered by other departments at the 2000-level or above may also be counted as electives with permission.

Up to 3 credit hours of independent study (LING 3191, 4998, 4998H, 4999, 4999H) may be counted toward the elective requirement.



THE LINGUISTICS HONORS MAJOR (effective Autumn 2023)

At least 33 credit hours, excluding prerequisites and corequisites. Will lead to a BA in Linguistics. Students must receive a grade of C- or higher for credit towards the major program.

Prerequisite Coursework (does not count towards the major credit hours)

The following requirement should be completed before beginning major coursework. However, students may declare a Linguistics major before completing this requirement.

Introductory Course in Linguistics

Introduction to Linguistics: LING 2000H or 2000

Corequisite Coursework (does not count towards the major credit hours)

Students may declare a Linguistics major and begin major coursework before completing these requirements. However, it is recommended that students complete these requirements as early as possible.

Language Requirement. One course from:

World language course (taught in the language) beyond the GE requirement of the student's college, if any

A second, not closely related language at any level (taught in the language), with permission

Field Methods: LING 4550 or 5551

A course on the linguistic structure of a non-English language or language family at the 4000-level or above, with permission

Data Analysis Requirement. One course from:

Language & Formal Reasoning: LING 2001

Analyzing the Sounds of Language: LING 2051, 2051H

Linguistics & the Scientific Method: LING 4052

Data Analysis in Psychology: Psych 2220, 2220H

Major Coursework

Advanced Writing Requirement*. The following course:

Writing for Linguistics: LING 3000

* May be used concurrently to fulfill a major elective.

0-3 credits

Core Coursework

18 credits

Four courses from:

Phonetics: LING 4100

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Morphology: LING 4350

Linguistic Meaning: LING 4400

Two courses in two distinct areas from:

Historical Linguistics: LING 3901 or 5901

Sociolinguistics: LING 3601, 3603, 3605, 3606, 4602 or 5601

Psycholinguistics: LING 3701, 3701H, 5701 or 5702

Field Methods: LING 4550 or 5551 (may **not** be used concurrently to satisfy the language corequisite)

Advanced Coursework

9 credits

Research Seminar. The following course:

Undergraduate Research Seminar: LING 4780

Two-course Sequence

Select one two-course sequence from the following. These courses cannot be used to concurrently satisfy other requirements of the major.

Computational Linguistics Sequence: LING 5801, 5802

Psycholinguistics Sequence (two of these): LING 3701H (or 3701), 5701, 5702

Sociolinguistics Sequence: LING 5601, 5602

Field Methods Sequence (two of these): LING 4550, 5551, 5552

Historical Linguistics Sequence: LING 3901, 5901

Phonetics Sequence: LING 5101, 5102

Phonology Sequence: LING 5301, 5302

Semantics and Syntax Sequence: LING 5401, 5201

Semantic and Pragmatics Sequence (two of these): LING 5401, 5402, 5451

Syntax and Morphology Sequence (two of these): LING 5201, 5202, 5351

Major Electives

6 credits

Six credit hours of LING courses at the 2000-level or above. Relevant courses offered by other departments may be substituted with permission. Elective courses may be used to fulfill the Technology Literacy Requirement and/or the Advanced Writing Requirement.

Technology Literacy Requirement. One course from:

0-4 credits

Ethics of Language Technology: LING 3803

Codes and Codebreaking: LING 3801

Social, Ethical and Professional Issues in Computing: CSE 2501

Introduction to Computing Ethics and Effective Presentation: PHILOS 1338

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Prerequisite Coursework (does not count towards the major credit hours)

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Introductory Course in Linguistics

Introduction to Linguistics: LING 2000H (preferred) or 2000

Corequisite Coursework (does not count towards the major credit hours)

Students may declare a Linguistics major and begin major coursework before completing these requirements. However, completing these requirements as early as possible is recommended.

Language Requirement. *One of the following:*

- Study of a world language (taught in the language). Options include:
 - 3 credit hours of a language at the 2000-level or above
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 - Placement via testing into a world language course such that the placement is equivalent to having completed one of the above categories
- Field Methods: LING 4550, 5551, or 5552
- A course of at least 3 credit hours on the linguistic structure of a non-English language or language family at the 4000-level or above, with permission

Data Analysis Requirement. *One course from:*

- Language & Formal Reasoning: LING 2001
- Analyzing the Sounds of Language: LING 2051H (preferred) or 2051
- Linguistics & the Scientific Method: LING 4052
- Data Analysis in Psychology: PSYCH 2220H (preferred) or 2220

Major Coursework

Advanced Writing Requirement. *The following course:*

- Writing for Linguistics: LING 3000
 - * May be used concurrently to fulfill a major elective.

Technology Literacy Requirement*. *One course from:*

- Ethics of Language Technology: LING 3803
 - * May be used concurrently to fulfill a major elective.
- Codes and Codebreaking: LING 3801
 - * May be used concurrently to fulfill a major elective.
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- Field Methods: LING 4550, 5551, or 5552 (may **not** be used concurrently to satisfy the language corequisite)

Advanced Coursework

Research Seminar. The following course:

- Undergraduate Research Seminar: LING 4780

Area-Depth Requirement

Choose any of the following sequences. Other sequences can be designed with approval from the Linguistics Honors Advisor. These courses cannot be used to concurrently satisfy other requirements of the major.

- Computational Linguistics Sequence: LING 5801, 5802
- Psycholinguistics Sequence (two of these): LING 3701H (or 3701), 5701, 5702
- Sociolinguistics Sequence: LING 5601, 5602
- Field Methods Sequence (two of these): LING 4550, 5551, 5552
- Historical Linguistics Sequence: LING 3901, 5901
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Major Electives

Six credit hours of LING courses at the 2000-level or above. LING courses used to fulfill the Advanced Writing Requirement and/or the Technology Literacy Requirement may be used concurrently as elective courses. Major Elective courses may not be used to satisfy any other requirements of the major. Courses on linguistic topics offered by other departments at the 2000-level or above may also be counted as electives with permission.

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