Linguistics Programs

Undergraduate

Majors

- Linguistics, BA (https://catalog.tulane.edu/liberal-arts/interdisciplinary-programs-coordinate-majors/linguistics/linguistics-ba/)
- Linguistics, BS (https://catalog.tulane.edu/liberal-arts/interdisciplinary-programs-coordinate-majors/linguistics/linguistics-bs/)

Graduate

- Computational Linguistics, MA (https://catalog.tulane.edu/liberal-arts/interdisciplinary-programs-coordinate-majors/linguistics/computationallinguistics-ma/)
- Linguistics, MA (https://catalog.tulane.edu/liberal-arts/interdisciplinary-programs-coordinate-majors/linguistics/linguistics-ma/)
- Linguistics, PhD (https://catalog.tulane.edu/liberal-arts/interdisciplinary-programs-coordinate-majors/linguistics/linguistics-phd/)

Courses

Linguistics (LING)

LING 1010 American Sign Language I (3)
The purpose of this course is to enable students to acquire introductory knowledge of American Sign Language. A linguistic, communicative, and cultural approach will allow students to explore this visual-spatial language used by up to two million people in the United States. Instruction will focus on the development of receptive and expressive signing skills and on the acquisition of the fundamentals of applied grammar.

LING 1015 Elem Amer Sign Language II (3)
Continuation of Elementary American Sign Language I, with focus on the expansion of vocabulary, a deepening of the understanding of grammatical structures, and the further development of communicative skills. Prerequisite: LING 1010 Elementary American Sign Language I.

Prerequisite(s): LING 1010.

LING 1940 Transfer Coursework (0-20)
Transfer Coursework at the 1000 level. Department approval may be required.

Maximum Hours: 99

LING 2010 Intermed Amer Sign Language (3)
Continuation of intermediate/advanced study in American Sign Language, with focus on the expansion of vocabulary, conversational skills, demonstrative skills, and receptive skills in a seminar setting. Use of grammatical structure in natural and informative settings and the further development of communicative skills. THIS COURSE REQUIRES SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF ASL II AT THE B- LEVEL OR ABOVE. Prerequisite(s): LING 1015.

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LING 2890 Service Learning (0-1)
Students complete a service activity in the community in conjunction with the content of a three-credit co-requisite course. Course may be repeated up to unlimited credit hours.

LING 2940 Transfer Coursework (0-20)
Maximum Hours: 99

LING 3000 Tunica La’s Sleeping Language (3)
Tulane has been collaborating with the Tunica tribe of Louisiana to bring back their language, the last speaker, Sesostrie Youchigant having died over fifty years ago. This course addresses the processes of language death, as well as methods and initiatives for language revitalization. Students will learn effective second language teaching methods and elementary Tunica. They will then apply what they have learned, serving as teaching assistants during the tribe’s Language Summer Camp. The Tunica tribe will host the course in Marksville for the week of the Summer Camp. This course counts as a second tier service learning course.
LING 3010 Semantics (3)
What does the word cat mean? This course looks at three answers. One says that cat is just the set of all cats. Another says that cat refers to a prototypical cat, one described by the characteristics common to all the cats that you have ever seen. The third answer says that cat is the word that the brain associates with the cats that you saw when you were younger. Each of these answers assumes that the mind works in a certain way, so the right one tells us something about how the mind works in situations that have nothing to do with the meaning of cat.

LING 3441 Lexicography (3)
Lexicography is the making of dictionaries. Dictionaries take many forms and fulfill many functions. Dictionaries have evolved new formats; professional lexicographers share word gleaning with internet users. Dictionaries may be monolingual, di-, tri-, or multi-lingual, etymological or encyclopedic, synchronic or diachronic, prescriptive or descriptive, terminological or generic. Dictionary construction requires a number of skills which co-vary with the type of dictionary to be produced. This course provides an overview of dictionaries, their forms, formats and histories, while fostering a basic skill set for harvesting words and compiling lexicons. Dictionaries provide a cognitive map to communities of speakers, both past and present.

LING 3700 Second Language Acquisition (3)
This course is intended to familiarize students with the field of Second Language Acquisition, including a history of the field’s origins. Discussion of recent theories of second language acquisition and an overview of approaches to research methodology in this field.

LING 3810 Special Topics In Ling (3)
Special topics in linguistics. For description consult the director. Other departments offer courses with linguistic import as well. Course may be repeated up to unlimited credit hours.

Maximum Hours: 99

LING 3811 Special Topics in Ling (3)
Special topics in linguistics. For description consult the director. Prerequisite(s): LING 1010.

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LING 3820 Special Topics (3)
Special topics in linguistics. For description consult the director. Other departments offer courses with linguistic import as well. Course may be repeated up to unlimited credit hours.

Maximum Hours: 99

LING 3821 Special Topics (3)
Special Topics in Linguistics Course may be repeated up to unlimited credit hours.

Maximum Hours: 99

LING 3822 Special Topics (3)
Special Topics in Linguistics Course may be repeated up to unlimited credit hours.

Maximum Hours: 99

LING 3823 Special Topics (3)
Special Topics in Linguistics

LING 3824 Special Topics (3)
Special Topics in Linguistics. Prerequisite(s): LING 3822.

Prerequisite(s): LING 3822.

LING 3825 Special Topics (3)
Special Topics in Linguistics. Prerequisite(s): LING 3823.

Prerequisite(s): LING 3823.

LING 3890 Service Learning (0-1)
Students complete a service activity in the community in conjunction with the content of a three-credit co-requisite course. Course may be repeated up to unlimited credit hours.

Maximum Hours: 99

LING 3940 Transfer Coursework (3)
Maximum Hours: 99
LING 4110 Brain and Language (3)
The goal of this course is to learn how the brain is organized to produce and comprehend language and to understand linguistic disorders attendant on brain damage. There is an optional service learning component in which students can work with a speech therapist at a local health-care provider.

LING 4560 Internship (1-3)
Internships with Community Partners to develop language and linguistic resources. Experiences may include language teaching, materials development, web-design and curricular innovation. Course may be repeated up to unlimited credit hours.

Maximum Hours: 99

LING 4570 LX CPS Internship (3)
Internships with Community Partners to develop language and linguistic resources. Experiences may include language teaching, materials development, web-design and curricular innovation. Course may be repeated up to unlimited credit hours.

Maximum Hours: 99

LING 4720 Translation Studies Theory (3)
This course is an exploration of the development of the field of Translation, from Ancient Civilization through the twenty-first century, with a heavy emphasis on primary source commentaries on translation produced by translators over time. Students should expect to study the writings and historical context of such translators as Cicero (100-43 BCE), St. Jerome (4th century AD), Erasmus (1500s), Martin Luther (1520s-1530s), Etienne Dolet (1540s), Friedrich Schleiermacher (1813), Walter Benjamin (1923), Roman Jakobson (1959), Eugene Nida (1960s), Miguel Leon Portilla (20th century Mexico), Jacques Derrida (responding to Jakobson), Lawrence Venuti (1990s), and Dennis Tedlock (1990s) and complete a comparative analysis of multiple versions of a translation of a text of their choosing.

LING 4810 Special Topics In Linguistics (3)
Special topics in linguistics. For description consult the director.

LING 4850 Proseminar In Linguistics (3)
This course will examine a topic within linguistics, integrating the various levels of linguistic analysis: phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, and pragmatics. Students will be asked to apply linguistic theory to data within their field of concentration, synthesizing materials from primary and secondary sources.

LING 4880 Writing Practicum: LING 4910 (1)
Writing practicum.

LING 4890 Service Learning (0-1)
Students complete a service activity in the community in conjunction with the content of a three-credit co-requisite course. Course may be repeated up to unlimited credit hours.

Maximum Hours: 99

LING 4891 Service Learning (0-1)
Students complete a service activity in the community in conjunction with the content of a three-credit co-requisite course. Course may be repeated up to unlimited credit hours.

Maximum Hours: 99

LING 4910 Independent Study (1-3)
Independent study in Linguistics. Course may be repeated up to unlimited credit hours.

Maximum Hours: 99

LING 4990 Honors Thesis (3)
Honors Thesis.

LING 5000 Honors Thesis (4)
Honors Thesis.

LING 5380 Junior Year Abroad (1-20)
Maximum Hours: 99

LING 5390 Junior Year Abroad (1-20)
Maximum Hours: 99
LING 6720 Translation Studies Theory (3)
This course is an exploration of the development of the field of Translation, from Ancient Civilization through the twenty-first century, with a heavy emphasis on primary source commentaries on translation produced by translators over time. The course intends to prepare the advanced graduate student for undertaking independent research in the field of translation studies by familiarizing him/her with the issues in the field of translation from Ancient to Modern times.

LING 6810 Special Topics (3)
Special topics in linguistics. For description consult the director. Course may be repeated up to unlimited credit hours.

Maximum Hours: 99

LING 6820 Special Topics (3)
Special topics in linguistics. For description consult the director. Course may be repeated up to unlimited credit hours.

Maximum Hours: 99

LING 6823 Special Topics (3)
Special topics in linguistics. For description consult the director.

LING 6910 Independent Study (1-3)
Independent study in Linguistics.

LING 7010 Semantics (3)
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LING 7960 Independent Study (3)
Independent study in Linguistics.

LING 9980 Master's Research (0)
Master's Research. Course may be repeated up to unlimited credit hours.

Maximum Hours: 99

LING 9990 Dissertation Research (0)
Dissertation Research. Course may be repeated up to unlimited credit hours.

Maximum Hours: 99