

INTERDISCIPLINARY LINGUISTICS, CERTIFICATE

(Code 570-601)

For advising, contact the English Department.

Linguistics bridges the social sciences and humanities, applying scientific methods and perspectives to the study of language, a fundamental human behavior and social institution. The Interdisciplinary Linguistics certificate offers a focused program of study in the structure, acquisition, and/or social functions of language, drawing on theories and methodologies of one or more disciplines. The goal of the program is to enhance students' abilities to reason about language by providing opportunities to analyze the sounds, words, sentences and/or meanings of natural language; to describe variation and change in natural language; and to form and test hypotheses about language by collecting, organizing, and analyzing linguistic data. While not in itself a professional certification, a linguistics certificate could enhance the career options of students majoring or minoring in computer science, English, languages, teaching English as a second/foreign language, elementary and secondary education, among others.

Twelve semester credits, including:

Required course:

ENGL 221	Introductory English Linguistics	3
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Select nine credits of linguistics electives from the 9

following courses:

ANTH 315	Language in Culture and Society
CSD 262	Phonetics: Theory and Application
CSD 301	American Sign Language Semantics
CSD 302	American Sign Language Linguistics
ENGL 321	Topics in the Structure of English
ENGL 325	Topics in Language in Society
ENGL 421	Seminar in Linguistic Research
FLG 378	Second Language Acquisition Theory
FREN 325	Phonetics and Pronunciation
GERM 325	The German Sound System
GERM 413	Structure of German in Contrast
PHIL 322	Philosophy of Language
SPAN 325	Phonetics and Pronunciation
SPAN 360	Survey of Hispanic Linguistics
SPAN 418	Spanish Sociolinguistics in Latin America/ USA
SPAN 492	Seminar in Hispanic Linguistics Research

Note: Students may not pursue the Interdisciplinary Linguistics certificate and the English Linguistics major or the Spanish Linguistics major as their first and second degree programs for purposes of graduation. Also, courses that count in the certificate may not be applied to the student's major.