

# INTERDISCIPLINARY LINGUISTICS, MINOR

## Liberal Arts (Code 570-402)

For advising, contact the English Department.

The ability to communicate through language is a fundamental part of being human. What is the nature of human language? Where did it come from? How is it acquired? Researchers from fields spanning the university have attempted to answer these questions, applying the perspectives of the humanities such as languages and philosophy, the social sciences such as anthropology, psychology, and sociology, and even the natural sciences such as computer science and neuroscience. Students in the Interdisciplinary Linguistics minor will investigate the structure, acquisition, and social functions of human language by drawing on the theories and methodologies of multiple disciplines.

Code	Title	Credits
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Twenty-four semester credits, including at least 12 credits at the 300 level or higher, as follows:

### Core Courses - 9 credits from the following:

ANTH 315	Language in Culture and Society
ENGL 221	Introductory English Linguistics
ENGL 321	Topics in the Structure of English
ENGL 325	Topics in Language in Society
SLHS 262	Phonetics: Theory and Application

### Elective Courses - 15 credits from the following:

Additional core courses may be taken as electives. ENGL 321 and ENGL 325 may be taken a second time with a different topic. Electives may also be chosen from the following:

CJ/WGSS 111	Gender, Race, Class, and Communication: The Social Construction of Identity
CJ 301	Intercultural Communication
CS 170	Computing for the Sciences and Mathematics
ENGL 122	The Study of Language
ENGL 421	Seminar in Linguistic Research
FLG 378	Second Language Acquisition Theory
FREN 325	Pronunciation
FREN 430	Environmental and Linguistic Diversity
GERM 325	The German Sound System
GERM 413	Structure of German in Contrast
PHIL 250	Symbolic Logic
PHIL 322	Philosophy of Language
SLHS 257	Language Development
SLHS 301	American Sign Language Semantics
SLHS 302	American Sign Language Linguistics
SPAN 325	Phonetics and Pronunciation
SPAN 360	Survey of Hispanic Linguistics
SPAN/LAS 418	Spanish Sociolinguistics in the United States/Latin America
SPAN 492	Seminar in Hispanic Linguistics Research

Elementary or intermediate language courses, including American Sign Language: maximum 4 credits per language and 8 credits total.

Note: A maximum 12 credits counted in the major can be counted in the minor. Students may not pair an English Linguistics major with the minor.

## Program Learning Outcomes

Students completing this program will be expected to meet the following learning outcomes:

- Analyze linguistic data to form and test hypotheses in one or more of the following areas of linguistic structure: Sounds (phonology), Words (morphology), Sentences (syntax), Meanings (semantics).
- Apply knowledge of linguistics (broadly defined) to issues relating to the use of language.
- Plan, conduct, and document linguistic (broadly defined) research using appropriate sources.