

# 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	
CSD 262	Phonetics: Theory and Application	
ENGL 221	Introductory English Linguistics	
ENGL 321	Topics in the Structure of English	
ENGL 325	Topics in Language in Society	

### 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	
CSD 257	Normal Communication Development	
CSD 301	American Sign Language Semantics	
CSD 302	American Sign Language Linguistics	
CS 170	Computing for the Sciences and Mathematics	
ENGL 121	Busting Language Myths	
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	
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.