LINGUISTICS (B.A.)

Linguistics is devoted to the scientific study of language structure and use. The Linguistics Program at Wayne State offers an interdisciplinary approach to this field, permitting students to explore a wide range of topics and issues in language research. Training in linguistics prepares students for advanced work in linguistic research, as well as for employment in teaching English and foreign languages; computer systems (especially natural language processing); broadcasting, mass media and journalism; publishing and editing; translation; international business; intercultural communication and negotiation; law; and generally any profession requiring the precise use or analysis of speech or writing.

Admission requirements for this program are satisfied by the general requirements for undergraduate admission (http://bulletins.wayne.edu/undergraduate/general-information/admission/) to the University.

Candidates must complete 120 credits in course work including satisfaction of the University General Education Requirements (http://bulletins.wayne.edu/undergraduate/general-information/general-education/) and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Group Requirements (http://bulletins.wayne.edu/undergraduate/college-liberal-arts-sciences/bachelors-degree-requirements/), as well as the departmental major requirements cited below. All course work must be completed in accordance with the regulations of the University (http://bulletins.wayne.edu/undergraduate/general-information/academic-regulations/) and the College (http://bulletins.wayne.edu/undergraduate/college-liberal-arts-sciences/academic-regulations/) governing undergraduate scholarship and degrees. Course selections are to be planned in consultation with the linguistics program advisor. Students must complete a minimum of thirty credits in course work to satisfy the major requirements as outlined below.

Required Courses

The linguistics major requirements consist of:

1. three required general courses;
2. one required language use course involving either the analysis of speech data acquired in fieldwork or theories that address language use; and
3. a set of electives.

Also, in the senior year, majors must register for and complete LIN 5993, Writing Intensive Requirement (0 credits). This course is to be taken in conjunction with another course, as explained under Linguistics Courses. In the final semester of study, assessment of knowledge in the major is determined by review of a student portfolio and by an exit interview conducted by members of the faculty. Both the portfolio and the interview must be deemed acceptable before the Program will certify completion of all major requirements.

Code	Title	Credits
Required General Linguistics Courses		
LIN 2720	Basic Concepts in Linguistics	3
or LIN 5700	Introduction to Linguistic Theory	
LIN 5290	Phonology	3
LIN 5300	Syntax	3
Required Language Use Course		
Select one of the following:		3
LIN 3310	Language and Culture	
LIN 5210	Arabic Sociolinguistics	
LIN 5320	Language and Societies	
LIN 5770	Sociolinguistics	
LIN 5900	Culture, Language and Cognition	
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (Field Methods) [1]	
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (Pidgins and Creoles) [1]	
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (Pragmatics) [1]	
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (Language Variation) [1]	
Elective Courses		
Select 18 credits from the categories listed below, in consultation with advisor		18
Total Credits		**30**

Elective Option Areas

A. Linguistics and a Language

The student may complete up to nine credits in advanced language skills or in the linguistics of a chosen language, as part of their electives. Courses must be selected in consultation with the advisor.

B. Language Structure

Code	Title	Credits
LIN 1850	Introductory Symbolic Logic	3
or LIN 1860	Honors Introductory Symbolic Logic	
LIN 2730	Languages of the World	3
LIN 3080	Cognitive Psychology: Fundamental Processes	3
LIN 5050	Advanced Symbolic Logic	4
LIN 5200	Modal Logic	4
LIN 5220	Introduction to Chinese Linguistics	3
LIN 5230	Structure of Arabic	3
LIN 5240	Grammar of Chinese	3
LIN 5570	Philosophy of Language	4
LIN 5715	Morphology	3
LIN 5730	English Grammar	3
LIN 5745	Semantics	3
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (Field Methods) [1]	3
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (Typology) [1]	3
SPA 6400	Introduction to Hispanic Linguistics	3

C. Language Variation and Change

Code	Title	Credits
CHI 2000	Chinese Phonetics	1
LIN 2730	Languages of the World	3
LIN 3310	Language and Culture	3
LIN 5100	Languages of Asia	3
LIN 5220	Introduction to Chinese Linguistics	3
LIN 5320	Language and Societies	3
LIN 5715	Morphology	3
LIN 5770	Sociolinguistics	3
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (Historical Linguistics) [1]	3
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (History of English) [1]	3
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (Typology) [1]	3
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (Language Variation) [1]	3
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (Field Methods) [1]	3
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (Pidgins and Creoles) [1]	3
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (Language and Evolution) [1]	3
CLA 1230	Word Origins: English Words from Greek and Latin	3-4
ITA 6400	Languages of Italy	3

D. Language Acquisition and Processing

Code	Title	Credits
LIN 3080	Cognitive Psychology: Fundamental Processes	3
LIN 3310	Language and Culture	3
LIN 5080	Phonetics	3
LIN 5360	Child Language Acquisition	3
LIN 5750	Theories of Second Language Acquisition	3
LIN 5900	Culture, Language and Cognition	3
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (Language and Evolution)	3
PSY 2030	Statistical Methods in Psychology	4
PSY 3120	Brain and Behavior	3
SLP 5300	Introduction to Speech-Language Pathology	3

E. Sociolinguistics and Discourse/Pragmatics

Code	Title	Credits
LIN 2730	Languages of the World	3
LIN 3310	Language and Culture	3
LIN 5210	Arabic Sociolinguistics	3
LIN 5320	Language and Societies	3
LIN 5770	Sociolinguistics	3
LIN 5900	Culture, Language and Cognition	3
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (Pragmatics) [1]	3
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (Language Variation) [1]	3
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (Language and Gender) [1]	3
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (Historical Linguistics) [1]	3
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (Pidgins and Creoles) [1]	3
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (Language and Evolution) [1]	3
ANT 5210	Anthropological Methods	4
PSY 2030	Statistical Methods in Psychology	4

[1] A maximum 12 credits may be earned in LIN 6720 predicated on topic selection.

Linguistics Honors Program

Students with an overall grade point average of 3.5 are eligible for admission to the Linguistics Honors Program. Satisfactory completion of the Honors Program will lead to a degree "with Linguistics Honors" on the diploma. Students interested in the program should obtain detailed information from the Linguistics Program Undergraduate Advising Office.

Students must complete one 5000-level or above Honors Option course as part of the major requirements, the Linguistics Honors Thesis (LIN 5993-H with approved LIN Writing Intensive course), one Honors Seminar from the HON 42XX series, and three additional Honors credits through any department to thereby complete the minimum twelve required Honors credits.

'AGRADE' Program (Accelerated Graduate Enrollment)

The Linguistics Program invites academically superior majors to apply for admission to the 'AGRADE' Program. 'AGRADE' procedures enable qualified seniors to enroll simultaneously in the undergraduate and graduate programs in Linguistics and to apply a maximum of sixteen credits toward both a bachelor's and a master's degree.

Qualified students may apply for the AGRADE program no earlier than the semester in which ninety credits are completed. Applicants must have an overall grade point average of 3.5 and not less than a 3.6 grade point average in the major courses already completed.

For more details about the 'AGRADE' Program, contact the Linguistics Program office: 313-577-8642; or by e-mail at: linguistics@wayne.edu