Linguistics (LING)

Courses

LING 014. Languages of the World. 2-3 Credits.
An exploration of the incredible inventory of the world’s languages, addressing language universals and the breadth of language variation. Students investigate how linguists group and compare languages and the complex relations between global processes, world languages, and political/cultural boundaries. Cross-listed with: ANTH 014.

LING 080. Introduction to Linguistics. 3 Credits.
Introduction to biological, cognitive, and cultural bases of human communication through language, and to modern linguistic theory. Assignments provide opportunities for critical thinking and writing.

LING 081. Structure of English Language. 3 Credits.
Using descriptive linguistic theory, this course examines basics of English grammar with emphasis on hands-on examples. Also includes exploration of politicization of English grammar. Cross-listed with: ENGS 081.

LING 088. Writing Systems. 3 Credits.
Survey of how human languages are represented orthographically, both historically and in the present day. We examine the origins of writing, writing system change over time, and the connections between spoken and written language. Cross-listed with: ANTH 015.

LING 090. Internship. 1-3 Credits.
On-site supervised work experience combined with a structured academic learning plan directed by a faculty member or a faculty-staff team in which a faculty member is the instructor of record, for which academic credit is awarded. Offered at department discretion.

LING 095. Introductory Special Topics. 1-18 Credits.
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LING 096. Introductory Special Topics. 1-18 Credits.
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LING 101. Intro Linguistics. 3 Credits.
LING 102. Linguistics. 3 Credits.

LING 135. D1: Language & Ethnicity. 3 Credits.
Explores language patterns of U.S. ethnic minorities, focusing on language and identity construction, and also Whiteness, White privilege, and its relation to standard language ideology. Prerequisite: LING 080.

LING 162. American English Dialects. 3 Credits.
Class will examine dialects of American English and the methodology of dialectology with focus on Vermont speech and the social meaning of dialect variation. Prerequisite: LING 080. Cross-listed with: ENGS 103.

LING 163. QR: Introduction to Semantics. 3 Credits.
Students will engage with language as a logical system and explore how it is that linguistic utterances mean what they mean. They will learn to express linguistic constituents as logical expressions. Other topics include modification, entailments, quantification, negation, and idioms. Prerequisite: LING 080 or ANTH 028. Cross-listed with: ANTH 113.

LING 165. Phonetic Theory and Practice. 3 Credits.

LING 166. Introduction to Syntax. 3 Credits.
This course serves as an introduction to the syntax of natural languages and a rigorous approach to the analysis of sentence structure. Pre/co-requisites: ANTH 028 or LING 080. Cross-listed with: ANTH 112.

LING 167. Historical Linguistics. 3 Credits.
Exploration of how languages change and the methods of historical linguistics. Explores how “relatedness” among languages is determined and be introduced to linguistic reconstruction. The connection between synchronic variation and long term change will be emphasized. Prerequisite: LING 080.

LING 168. Introduction to Pragmatics. 3 Credits.
An exploration of the contexts of language—physical, linguistic, and cultural—and their roles in determining the meaning of everyday talk and writing. Pre/co-requisites: LING 080.

LING 169. Phonology & Morphology. 3 Credits.
Phonology/Morphology surveys the study of the organization of sounds and internal word structure, covering a range of phenomena: alternations, constraints, allomorphy, clitics, tone, and more. Prerequisite: LING 080.

LING 170. TESOL and Applied Linguistics. 3 Credits.
Provides an overview of second language/ESL classroom theory and research. Topics include: teaching approaches, learning environment and outcomes, program planning, syllabus and material design, lesson planning, and assessment. Emphasis on practical application of topics discussed. Prerequisite: LING 080.

LING 171. Intro to Psycholinguistics. 3 Credits.
Psycholinguistics studies the cognitive processes involved in acquiring, understanding, and producing language. Speech perception, word recognition, and sentence processing are some of the topics covered. Prerequisite: LING 080 or PSYS 001. Cross-listed with: PSYS 107.

LING 176. D1: African American English. 3 Credits.
Overview of African American English from linguistic and cultural perspectives. Topics include: linguistic structure and history/development, discourse genres, hip-hop language, education, and media representations, among others. Prerequisite: LING 080 or LING 095: Linguistic Diversity in the US.
LING 177. Second Language Acquisition. 3 Credits.  
This course explores first language influence, individual cognitive differences, and age in second language acquisition. The role of interaction, socialization, and identity are also considered. Prerequisite: LING 080 or PSYS 001. Cross-listed with: PSYS 108.

LING 178. Sociolinguistics. 3 Credits.  
Exploration of language and nonverbal interactions as cultural activities. Focus on rules and patterns people display appropriate to communication and social interaction. Prerequisites: ANTH 028 or LING 080. Cross-listed with: ANTH 178.

LING 190. Internship. 1-18 Credits.  
On-site supervised work experience combined with a structured academic learning plan directed by a faculty member or a faculty-staff team in which a faculty member is the instructor of record, for which academic credit is awarded. Offered at department discretion.

LING 191. Teaching Assistantship. 1-3 Credits.  
Undergraduate student service as a teaching assistant, usually in an introductory level course in the discipline, for which credit is awarded. Offered at department discretion.

LING 195. Intermediate Special Topics. 1-18 Credits.  
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LING 196. Intermediate Special Topics. 1-18 Credits.  
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LING 197. Independent Study. 1-18 Credits.  
A course which is tailored to fit the interests of a specific student, which occurs outside the traditional classroom/laboratory setting under the supervision of a faculty member, for which credit is awarded. Offered at department discretion.

LING 198. Undergraduate Research. 1-18 Credits.  
Undergraduate student work on individual or small team research projects under the supervision of a faculty member, for which credit is awarded. Offered at department discretion.

LING 250. Linguistics Capstone Seminar. 3 Credits.  
Seminar on a topic in linguistics. Includes a research component, readings, writing, and discussion centered on the topic of focus. Prerequisites: Linguistics major; minimum Junior standing.

LING 270. Techniques & Procedures in ESL. 4 Credits.  
Designed for students preparing to teach English to speakers of other languages. Teaches best practices for second-language classrooms, and gain extensive first-hand experience in ESL teaching. Also relevant for teaching other foreign languages. Prerequisites: LING 080, LING 170. Pre/co-requisite: LING 081, LING 177.

LING 272. Language, Gender and Sexuality. 3 Credits.  
Examines different theoretical approaches to understanding gender and sexuality through the study of language use, emphasizing analysis of crosscultural data from a linguistic anthropological perspective. Prerequisites: ANTH 028 or LING 080, and one 100-level Anthropology or Linguistics course. Cross-listed with: ANTH 272.

LING 280. Memory & Language Learning. 3 Credits.  
Explores the role of memory in the acquisition, processing and use of a second language. We will assess and critique different tests that have been used to measure memory capacity. Prerequisites: LING 080 or equivalent; LING 185 or LING 277 or graduate standing in TESOL and Applied Linguistics.

LING 284. Linguistic Anthropology Method. 3 Credits.  
Exploration of key methodologies in linguistics and linguistic anthropology, including theories and practice of eliciting linguistic data, conducting interviews, transcribing audio- and video-taped interactions, and analyzing conversations. Prerequisites: ANTH 028 or LING 080 and one Anthropology or Linguistics course at the 100 level or above. Cross-listed with: ANTH 284.

LING 290. Internship. 1-18 Credits.  
On-site supervised work experience combined with a structured academic learning plan directed by a faculty member or a faculty-staff team in which a faculty member is the instructor of record, for which academic credit is awarded. Offered at department discretion.

LING 291. Teaching Assistantship. 1-3 Credits.  
Undergraduate student service as a teaching assistant, usually in an introductory level course in the discipline, for which credit is awarded. Offered at department discretion.

LING 295. Advanced Special Topics. 1-18 Credits.  
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