Linguistics - B.S.

The Department of Linguistics offers an interdisciplinary curriculum designed to develop an understanding of the nature and implications of human language. The Linguistics Department provides solid foundations in phonological and grammatical analysis, as well as opportunities to investigate the social, cultural, psychological, and physical aspects of language use.

120 hours (minimum)

Any student earning a Bachelor of Science (BS) degree must complete a minimum of 60 hours in natural, physical, mathematical, and computer science. Please note: courses with an LIN prefix are generally not accepted towards fulfilling this 60-hour requirement. Therefore, be sure to keep this requirement in mind as you choose your course work for the requirements in the major. A complete description of College requirements for a Bachelor of Science degree, including a specific listing of courses applicable to the 60-hour requirement, can be found in the *Arts and Sciences* section of the 2024-2025 Undergraduate Catalog.

Prior to graduation, a Linguistics major must complete the third and fourth semesters of a foreign language (or the equivalent). This requirement does not need to be satisfied before declaring the major or undertaking major course work.

UK Core Requirements

See the *UK Core* section of the 2024-2025 Undergraduate Catalog for the complete UK Core requirements. The courses listed below are (a) recommended by the college, or (b) required courses that also fulfill UK Core areas. Students should work closely with their advisor to complete the UK Core requirements.

I. Intellectual Inquiry in Arts and Creativity
Choose one course from approved list...3

II. Intellectual Inquiry in the Humanities
Choose one course from approved list...3

III. Intellectual Inquiry in the Social Sciences
Choose one ANT or SOC course from approved list..3

IV. Intellectual Inquiry in the Natural, Physical, and Mathematical Sciences
Choose one course from approved list...3

V. Composition and Communication I
CIS/WRD 110 Composition and Communication I 3

VI. Composition and Communication II
CIS/WRD 111 Composition and Communication II 3

VII. Quantitative Foundations
Choose one course from approved list...3

VIII. Statistical Inferential Reasoning
Choose one course from approved list...3

IX. Community, Culture and Citizenship in the USA
LIN 311 Language in U.S. Society 3

X. Global Dynamics
Choose one course from approved list...3

UK Core hours **30**

Graduation Composition and Communication Requirement (GCCR)
LIN 495 Linguistics Capstone 3

Graduation Composition and Communication Requirement hours (GCCR) **3**

College Requirements

I. Foreign Language *(completed by Premajor Requirements)*
II. Disciplinary Requirements
    a. Natural Science...6
    b. Social Science..6
    c. Humanities *(completed by Major Requirements)*
III. Laboratory or Field Work...1
IV. Race and Ethnicity Requirement... 0-3
V. Electives...6

College Requirement hours: **19-22**

Major Requirements

Major Core Requirements
LIN 221 Introduction to Linguistics 3
LIN 300 Speech Sounds...3
LIN 305 Words & Sentences...3
LIN 495 Linguistics Capstone 3

Major Core hours: **12**

Other Course Work Required for the Major
To satisfy this requirement students must complete **one course from each group** listed below.

Group A – Phonetics and Phonology
LIN 500 Phonetics 3
LIN 515 Phonological Analysis 3

Group B – Morphology, Syntax, and Semantics
LIN 505 Linguistic Morphology...3
LIN 509 Formal Semantics...3
LIN 512 Syntactic Analysis 3

Group C – Language, Culture, and Society
LIN 310 American English 3
LIN 311 Appalachian English..3
LIN 325 Language and Culture 3
LIN 331 Language in U.S. Society 3
LIN 506 Sociolinguistics 3
LIN 507 Linguistic Anthropology 3
LIN 508 Discourse Analysis 3

Group D – Languages in Space and Time
LIN 518 Advanced History of the English Language...3
LIN 519 Historical Linguistics 3
LIN 529 Language Contact..3

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Group E – Computational Linguistics

LIN 301 Computation for Linguists 3

LIN 510 Corpus Linguistics..3

LIN 511 Computational Linguistics 3

Students must complete an additional **9 credit hours** of LIN prefix course work at the 200-level or above. Courses used to satisfy the group requirement may not be used to satisfy this requirement.

Additional Course Work

Students must complete **9 credit hours** at the 200-level or above from the following prefixes. Other course prefixes may be used to satisfy this requirement with permission of the Director of Undergraduate Studies. LIN prefix courses used to satisfy other requirements in the major may not be used to satisfy the additional course work requirement. AAS, AIS, ANT, APP, BIO, CHI, CLA, COM, CS, CSD, DST, ENG, FR, GEO, GER, GRK, GWS, HIS, HJS, ICT, INT, ISC, ITA, JOU, JPN, LAS, LAT, LIN, MA, MCL, PHI, PS, PSY, RUS, SOC, SPA, STA, TSL, WRD.....................................9

Other Major hours: **33**

Electives

Choose electives to lead to the minimum total of 120 hours required for graduation ....minimum of 9

Total Minimum hours
Required for Degree.. **120**