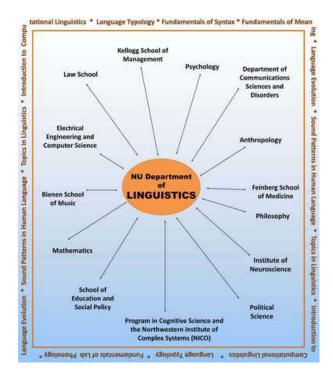
"The marvelous thing is that even in studying Linguistics, we find that the universe as a whole is patterned, ordered, and to some degree intelligible to us." - Kenneth L. Pike

What IS Linguistics?

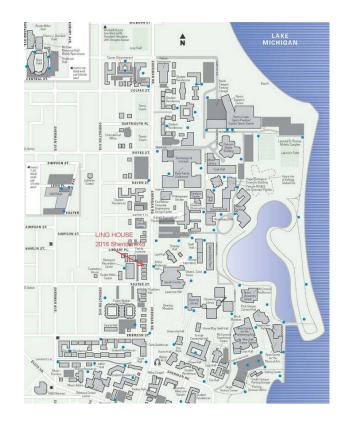
Linguistics is the scientific study of language and its structure, including the study of language patterns, rules of sentence structure, speech sounds and transmission, how we hear words, and the different interpretations of the meanings we attach to those words. It describes how different languages build sounds and words and sentences.

Studies in Linguistics can be combined with related fields.



The interdisciplinary nature of Linguistics makes it an exciting and ever-evolving field, making contact with researchers from Anthropology to Zoology and everything in between.

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UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES IN LINGUISTICS

Northwestern Linguistics

What Can I Do With a Linguistics Degree?

Linguistics majors pursue careers in many different fields such as:

- Acting and Acting Training
- Advertising
- Communication Consulting
- Computer Industry
- Editorial Work
- Educational Testing
- Foreign Service
- Foreign Language Teaching
- Government
- Journalism
- Language Documentation
- Legal Practice
- Lexicography
- Marketing
- Medicine
- Teaching English as a Second Language
- Technical Writing
- Translation and Interpreting

Some students use the BA in Linguistics to prepare for professional schools, or clinical programs in:

- Business
- Communication Sciences and Disorders
- Law
- Library/Information Science
- Medicine
- Speech Pathology

Other students continue their study of Linguistics in MA and PhD programs, either in Linguistics or related fields like:

- Anthropology
- Artificial Intelligence
- Bilingual Education
- Cognitive Science
- Computer Science
- Music
- Philosophy
- Psychology

Requirements for a Linguistics Major

> 3 introductory courses:

- 250: Sound Patterns in Human Languages
- 260: Formal Analysis of Words and Sentences
- 270: Meaning

> 9 advanced courses, of which 3 must be:

- 350: Fundamentals of Laboratory Phonology
- 360: Fundamentals of Syntax
- 370: Fundamentals of Meaning
- 33x: any 1 methods course

Only one of these courses may be an Independent Study (LING399); certain exceptions (e.g., CogSci210) may be granted in consultation with the Director of Undergraduate Studies.

> 4 related courses

(Check the Department website for a list of related courses in other departments)

Requirements for a Linguistics Minor

> 3 introductory courses:

- 250: Sound Patterns in Human Languages
- 260: Formal Analysis of Words and Sentences
- 270: Meaning

> 5 advanced courses, of which 2 must be:

- 350: Fundamentals of Laboratory Phonology
- 360: Fundamentals of Syntax
- 370: Fundamentals of Meaning
- 33x: any Methods course

Linguistics Courses

Psycholinguistics Courses

- 210 Language and the Brain (CogSci)
- 311 Child Language
- 315 Experimental Approaches to Word Form and Lexical Processing
- 316 Experimental Syntax
- 317 Experimental Pragmatics
- 321 Bilingualism

Sociolinguistics Courses

- 220 Language and Society
- 221 Language and Prejudice
- 222 Language, Politics, and Identity
- 320 Sociolinguistics
- 324 Linguistics and English Composition
- 327 Language and Sexuality

Methods Courses

- 330 Research Methods in Linguistics
- 332 Linguistic Field Methods
- 334 Introduction to Computational Linguistics
- 336 Words, Networks and the Internet

Comparative Linguistics Courses

- 243 Language Evolution
- 340 Historical Linguistics
- 341 Language Typology
- 342 Structure of Various Languages

Sound Structure Courses

- 250 Sound Patterns in Human Language
- 350 Fundamentals of Laboratory Phonology
- 450-1,2 Laboratory Phonology
- 451 Proseminar in Sound Structure
- 452 Seminar in Sound Structure

Syntax/Morphology Courses

- 260 Formal Analysis of Words and Sentences
- 360 Fundamentals of Syntax
- 361 Morphology
- 460-1,2 Syntactic Analysis
- 462 Seminar in Syntax

Meaning Courses

- 270 Meaning
- 370 Fundamentals of Meaning

Semantic Analysis

Proseminar in Semantics

Undergraduate Seminar in Linguistics

Seminar in Semantics

Seminar in Pragmatics

Topics in Linguistics

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