LINGUISTICS (LING)

# Course numbers with the # symbol included (e.g. #400) have not been taught in the last 3 years.

LING 405 - Introduction to Linguistics
Credits: 4
Overview of the study of language: universal properties of human language, Chomsky's innateness hypothesis, language acquisition in children, dialects and language variation, language change. Includes an introduction to modern grammar (phonology, syntax, and semantics) and to scientific linguistic methodology. (Also offered as ENGL 405.)
Attributes: Social Science (Discovery); Inquiry (Discovery)
Equivalent(s): ENGL 505, ENGL 505H, LING 405H, LING 505, LING 505H
Grade Mode: Letter Grade

LING 605 - Intermediate Linguistic Analysis
Credits: 4
Analysis and problem solving in phonology, morphology, and syntax using data from many languages. Emphasis is both practical (learning how to describe grammar and sound system of a language) and theoretical (understanding languages' behavior). Prereq: LING/ENGL 405, or permission. (Also offered as ENGL 605.)
Equivalent(s): ENGL 605
Grade Mode: Letter Grade

LING 606 - Languages of the World
Credits: 4
A survey of the languages of the world from genetic, areal, and typological perspectives. Students learn about the geographic and demographic distribution of language families and language isolates, as well as about structural characteristics of languages, language families and language areas. Additional topics include language endangerment and the question of linguistic universals. Students work collaboratively on a project investigating a particular language family, giving in class presentations and writing up a final project report. Some prior knowledge of phonetics, phonology, morphology, and syntax is necessary. Prereq: ENGL 605/LING 605 or ENGL 405/LING 405 and permission of the instructor.
Equivalent(s): ENGL 606
Grade Mode: Letter Grade

LING 695 - Senior Honors
Credits: 4
Open to senior LING majors who, in the opinion of the department, have demonstrated the capacity to do superior work. Prereq: permission.
Grade Mode: Letter Grade

LING 717 - Languages in Contact
Credits: 4
This course will explore topics related to languages in contact, including borrowing, code-switching, second language acquisition, bilingual mixed languages, language shift and maintenance, pidgins and creoles, and the linguistic and social factors which play a role in language contact. Prereq: ENGL 405 or LING 405 or permission of instructor.
Attributes: Writing Intensive Course
Equivalent(s): ENGL 717
Grade Mode: Letter Grade
LING 794 - Syntax
Credits: 4
Relationship of grammar and meaning viewed from the standpoint of modern linguistic theory. Emphasis on the syntax and semantics of English, with special attention to the construction of arguments for or against particular analyses. Prereq: a basic linguistics course or permission of the instructor. (Also offered as ENGL 794.) Writing intensive.
Attributes: Writing Intensive Course
Equivalent(s): ENGL 794
Grade Mode: Letter Grade

LING 795 - Independent Study
Credits: 1-4
A) Synchronic Linguistics, B) Diachronic Linguistics, C) Linguistic Theory. For students showing a special aptitude for linguistics who desire to pursue a line of inquiry for which no appropriate course is offered. All requests must be forwarded by the faculty sponsor to the director of the Inter-departmental Linguistics Committee.
Grade Mode: Letter Grade