

LINGUISTICS MINOR

Banner Code: LING

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Linguistics is the scientific study of language. Language is studied descriptively, theoretically, computationally, psychologically, and as a social phenomenon. The field of linguistics thus informs and is informed by many other areas of study, including philosophy, psychology, sociology, computer science, the study of individual languages and literature, literary studies, and education.

This minor introduces the fundamental concepts of modern linguistic theory and explores how these concepts relate to various other disciplines.

Faculty

Blevins, Foltz, Kelley, Leeman, Lukyanenko, Roman-Mendoza, Schreiner (director), Serafini, Walther, Wulf

Admissions & Policies

Policies

Eight credits of coursework must be unique to the minor and students must complete all coursework with a minimum GPA of 2.00. For policies governing all minors, see AP5.3.4 Minors (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/undergraduate-policies/#ap-5-3-4>).

Requirements

Minor Requirements

Total credits: 15

Students should be aware of the specific policies associated with this program, located on the Admissions & Policies tab.

Foundation Course

Code	Title	Credits
Select one from the following:		3
LING 300	Linguistic Variation	
LING 306	Introduction to Linguistic Analysis (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
Total Credits		3

Core Course

Code	Title	Credits
Select one from the following:		3
LING 331	Phonetics	
LING 332	Phonology A	

LING 333	Phonology B	
LING 335	Morphology	
LING 336	Syntax A	
LING 337	Syntax B	
LING 338	Semantics and Pragmatics	
Total Credits		3

Electives

Code	Title	Credits
Select three from the following: ¹		9
Any LING course (http://catalog.gmu.edu/courses/ling/)		
ANTH 114	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
COMM 305	Foundations of Intercultural Communication (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
FRLN 380	Topics in the Sociopolitics of Language	
FRLN 385	Multilingualism, Identity, and Power (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
Any foreign language course beyond 202 (http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/modern-classical-languages/)		
Total Credits		9

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Other elective courses, when topic is relevant, may be applied to the minor with the prior written approval of the director.