**Linguistics**

The concentration in linguistics is designed both for students interested in the discipline itself and for those wishing to use their understanding of linguistic structure to pursue other disciplines. Linguists are concerned with such issues as the commonalities of human languages, why languages change, how our linguistic abilities interact with our cognitive abilities, how language is learnable, and developing formal models of linguistic structure. Fields as diverse as anthropology, legal reasoning, language pathology, technical writing and editing, and Artificial Intelligence (AI) all rely heavily upon methods and models developed in linguistics. Required courses examine linguistic theory, phonology, syntax, and semantics, while electives may focus on computational, mathematical, or socio-linguistics, the philosophy of language, and biology and the evolution of language.

**Requirements (10 courses)**

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<th>CLPS 0030</th>
<th>Introduction to Linguistic Theory (may be waived in special instances)</th>
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**Required Courses**

| CLPS 1310 | Introduction to Phonological Theory | 1 |
| CLPS 1330 | Introduction to Syntax | 1 |

Select one additional course in phonetics, phonology, syntax, semantics or pragmatics including the following courses:

- CLPS 1320: The Production, Perception, and Analysis of Speech
- CLPS 1341: Lexical Semantics
- CLPS 1342: Formal Semantics
- CLPS 1381: Topics in Phonetics and Phonology: Intonational Phonology

Select one of the following courses in psycholinguistics:

- CLPS 1385: Topics in Language Acquisition: Language Acquisition and Cognitive Development
- CLPS 1389: Discourse Processing
- CLPS 1650: Child Language Acquisition
- CLPS 1800: Language Processing
- CLPS 1810: Syntactic Theory and Syntactic Processing
- CLPS 1820: Language and the Brain
- CLPS 1890: Laboratory in Psycholinguistics

**Electives (select five):**

- CLPS 0800: Language and the Mind
- CLPS 1320: The Production, Perception, and Analysis of Speech
- CLPS 1341: Lexical Semantics
- CLPS 1342: Formal Semantics
- CLPS 1360: Introduction to Corpus Linguistics

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**PHIL 1760** Philosophy of Language

**SLAV 1300** Sociolinguistics (with Case Studies on the Former USSR and Eastern Europe)

**Total Credits**: 10

1. It is recommended that students take CLPS 1310 and CLPS 1330 before higher level courses.
2. Only 2 may be below 1000-level courses. The listings here are not exclusive of the possible electives; students should consult with the concentration advisor about the appropriateness of other courses.

**Degrees with Honors (12 Courses)**

Candidates for Honors in Linguistics will take a minimum of 10 courses for the concentration which will consist of all requirements for the standard program plus 2 additional courses in Linguistics or related disciplines. One of these courses may be an independent study project upon which the thesis is based. Honors candidates should formalize their projects in consultation with their advisors by the end of Semester 6.

Although no specific grade-point average has been set for acceptance into the Honors Program, only students with a good record and an advisor willing to work with them will be allowed into the Honors Program.

**Independent Study**

Independent study is encouraged for the A.B. degree. Students should sign up for CLPS 1970 with a faculty advisor who is a member of the Department of Cognitive and Linguistic Sciences. Arrangements should be made in Semester 6 for students expecting to do independent study during Semesters 7 and/or 8.

**Comments:**

Foreign language courses will generally not count towards the concentration requirements, except those which focus on the structure or history of the language. Students are, however, advised to gain familiarity with a foreign language, and are encouraged to take at least one course which deals with the structure of a language other than English.

It is strongly recommended that students take CLPS 1310 and CLPS 1330 before Semester 7.