LINGUISTICS, MINOR

Linguistics is the scientific study of language. Linguists apply the scientific method to study speech sounds, grammatical structures, and meaning across the world's 6,000+ languages. The study of language is reflected in several things we do in our daily lives, such as telling a joke, using voice recognition software, achieving native-like proficiency in another language, etc. The Saint Louis University linguistics minor allows students to gain insight into one of the most fundamental parts of being human—the ability to communicate through language. Studying linguistics enables SLU students to understand how language works, how it is acquired, how it is used in society, and how it changes over time.

Because linguistics is a social science and inherently an interdisciplinary field, it intersects with many other areas, such as anthropology, communication, computer science, data science, engineering, English, foreign language study, forensic science, law, immigration, neuroscience, philosophy, psychology, sociology, speech and hearing science, among others. As a result, Linguistics can provide the foundation for a wide range of jobs and careers, including well-paying positions at tech companies, financial institutions, the government, hospitals, publishing houses, academia, etc.

Requirements

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Choose 12 credits, 6 credits of which must be in LING, with the "Linguistics Elective" attribute, such as:

- ANTH 2400 Linguistic Anthropology
- CSCI 4845 Natural Language Processing
- LING 3010 Language Acquisition
- LING 3020 Language and Society
- LING 3030 Language and Computers
- LING 3040 Language Contact and Bilingualism
- LING 3050 Language Change and Evolution
- LING 3060 Language in Evidence: Forensic Linguistics
- SPAN 4050 Span Phonetics & Phonology
- SPAN 4090 Spanish Sociolinguistics

Total Credits 18

Continuation Requirements

Students are required to earn a grade of "C" or better in each required course. Students who do not achieve the "C" or better grade in a required course will be expected to repeat the course in an attempt to achieve the "C" or better grade. Students may repeat a required course one time. Failure to achieve the "C" or better grade after one repeat attempt will have the student dismissed from the Linguistics Minor program.

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