Linguistics (LING)

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LING 1001 [0.5 credit]
Introduction to Linguistics I
Nature of language and linguistic knowledge. Formal description and analysis of language: phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax and semantics. Lecture and tutorial three hours a week.

LING 1002 [0.5 credit]
Introduction to Linguistics II
Survey of topics in linguistics: language change, sociolinguistics, language acquisition and processing. May include language typology, language contact and writing systems. Prerequisite(s): LING 1001 (may be taken concurrently). Lectures three hours a week.

LING 1100 [0.5 credit]
The Mysteries of Language
This course explores some intriguing mysteries of language - whether it is unique to humans, how children master its complexities so easily, how the brain handles language, how languages are born and die. These questions lead us to interesting discoveries about the human mind. Lectures three hours a week.

LING 2005 [0.5 credit]
Linguistic Analysis
Phonological, morphological and syntactic analysis of linguistic data. Coursework consists primarily of practical exercises in data analysis. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity. Prerequisite(s): LING 1001. Lecture and tutorial three hours a week.

LING 2007 [0.5 credit]
Phonetics
Description of speech sounds; transcription systems; articulation; acoustics of speech sounds; perception of speech sounds; cross-linguistic diversity and phonetic universals; the role of phonetics in grammar. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity. Prerequisite(s): LING 1001. Lecture and tutorial three hours a week.

LING 2504 [0.5 credit]
Language and Communication
Some of the central topics in the study of language and communication as pursued by linguists and philosophers. Topics include: the nature of meaning; the connections between language, communication and cognition; language as a social activity. Also listed as PHIL 2504, COMS 2504. Prerequisite(s): second-year standing. Lectures three hours a week.

LING 2604 [0.5 credit]
Communication Differences and Disabilities I
A survey course highlighting a variety of communication differences and disabilities. Specific topics vary from year to year but typically will include speech, language, fluency and hearing differences and disabilities. Also listed as ALDS 2604. Prerequisite(s): LING 1001 and second year standing, or permission of the instructor. Lectures three hours a week.

LING 2802 [0.5 credit]
History of the English Language
A historical study of the English language, its structure, variety, and cultural contexts, with an introduction to grammatical terminology and constructions. Also listed as ENGL 2105. Prerequisite(s): second-year standing or permission of the department. Lectures three hours a week.

LING 3004 [0.5 credit]
Syntax I
Introduction to syntactic theory. Representation and analysis of sentence structure, syntactic relations and syntactic dependencies. Testing of grammatical hypotheses. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity. Prerequisite(s): LING 2005. Lecture and tutorial three hours a week.

LING 3005 [0.5 credit]
Morphology I
Introduction to word structure and morphological theory. Topics include inflectional and derivational morphology, morphological processes, and interaction of morphology with phonology and syntax. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity. Prerequisite(s): LING 2005 and LING 2007. Lectures three hours a week.
LING 3007 [0.5 credit]
Phonology I
The sound-systems of languages, analysis of phonological structure; generative phonology; phonological rules and derivations; cross-linguistic diversity and universals; segmental phonology; stress; tone.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Precludes additional credit for LING 3002 (no longer offered).
Prerequisite(s): LING 2001 (no longer offered) or LING 2007.
Lecture and tutorial three hours a week.

LING 3009 [0.5 credit]
Special Topic in Linguistics
Selected topics in general linguistics not ordinarily treated in the regular course program. Contents of the course vary from year to year.
Lectures and discussion three hours per week.

LING 3504 [0.5 credit]
Pragmatics
The study of language in its conversational and cultural contexts. Topics include: conversational implicature; deixis; the semantics-pragmatics boundary; speaker's reference; speech acts. May include cross-cultural pragmatics.
Also listed as PHIL 3504.
Prerequisite(s): third-year standing, and one of LING 1001, PHIL 2001, PHIL 2504/COMS 2504/LING 2504 or PHIL 3506, or LING 3505 or permission of the Department of Philosophy or School of Linguistics and Language Studies.
Lectures three hours a week.

LING 3505 [0.5 credit]
Semantics
Study of language meaning. Lexical meaning and meanings of larger linguistic expressions, including nominal units, verbal units, and sentences. Meaning relationships between utterances. Relationship between linguistic meaning (semantics) and contextual meaning (pragmatics). Basic formal treatments of semantics.
Also listed as PHIL 3506.
Prerequisite(s): third-year standing, and one of LING 1001, PHIL 2001, PHIL 2504/LING 2504/COMS 2504 or PHIL 3504/LING 3504, or permission of the Department of Philosophy or School of Linguistics and Language Studies.
Lectures three hours a week.

LING 3601 [0.5 credit]
Language Processing and the Brain
Introduction to adult language processing and neurolinguistics. Psychological processes underlying speech production and perception, word recognition and sentence processing. Biological foundation and neuro-cognitive mechanisms of language. Experimental techniques and methodologies of current psycholinguistic studies.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Also listed as PSYC 3709.
Prerequisite(s): LING 1001 or PSYC 2700 and second-year standing, or permission of the instructor.
Lectures three hours a week.

LING 3603 [0.5 credit]
Child Language
Milestones associated with the development of grammatical, pragmatic and metalinguistic competence from birth to about age ten, and the relative contributions of the environment, cognitive development and inborn knowledge to this development.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Also listed as PSYC 3508.
Prerequisite(s): LING 1001 and second-year standing, or permission of the instructor.
Lectures three hours a week.

LING 3604 [0.5 credit]
Communication Differences and Disabilities II
An in-depth examination of select topics in the field of communication differences and disabilities. An emphasis is placed on theoretical accounts of specific differences and disabilities and the cross-linguistic evidence for these accounts. Specific topics may vary from year to year.
Also listed as ALDS 3604.
Prerequisite(s): LING 1001 and one of ALDS 2604 or LING 2604.
Lectures three hours a week.

LING 3701 [0.5 credit]
Corpus Linguistics
Computer-assisted analysis of electronic collections of naturally occurring language. Applications in such areas as language variation, grammar, lexicology, phraseology, translation, and learner language.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Also listed as ALDS 3701.
Prerequisite(s): third-year standing in Applied Linguistics and Discourse Studies, or in Linguistics, or enrolment in the CTESL program, or permission of the instructor.
Lectures three hours a week.
LING 3702 [0.5 credit]
Sociolinguistics
The place of language within society; bilingual and multilingual communities; language, social mobility and social stratification; sociolinguistic factors in language change.
Also listed as ALDS 3202.
Precludes additional credit for ALDS 2701 (no longer offered).
Prerequisite(s): ALDS 1001 and third-year standing.
Lecture three hours a week.

LING 3801 [0.5 credit]
Structure of a Specific Language
Description and analysis of the structure of a specific language applying phonology, morphology, syntax, and semantics. Language to be studied will be announced in advance by the School.
Prerequisite(s): LING 2001 (no longer offered) or LING 2005 or LING 2007.
Lectures three hours a week.

LING 3810 [0.5 credit]
Historical Linguistics I
Language change; sound change; analogy; the comparative method; internal reconstruction; the philological method; historical linguistics and pre-history; language change and theories of grammar.
Precludes additional credit for LING 3101 (no longer offered).
Prerequisite(s): LING 2007.
Lectures three hours a week.

LING 3811 [0.5 credit]
Language Typology and Universals
Cross-linguistic survey of syntactic and morphological patterns found in the languages of the world. Typological classification and identification of language universals.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Precludes additional credit for LING 3001 (no longer offered).
Prerequisite(s): LING 2005.
Lectures three hours a week.

LING 3900 [1.0 credit]
Independent Study
Research under the supervision of a member of the School. Normally available only to third- and fourth-year students in Linguistics.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): permission of the instructor.

LING 3901 [0.5 credit]
Independent Study
Research under the supervision of a member of the School. Normally available only to third- and fourth-year students in Linguistics.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): permission of the instructor.

LING 4004 [0.5 credit]
Syntax II
Advanced topics in syntax.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Precludes additional credit for LING 4002 (no longer offered).
Prerequisite(s): LING 3004 and third-year standing.
Seminars three hours a week.

LING 4005 [0.5 credit]
Morphology II
Advanced topics in morphology.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): LING 3005 and third-year standing.
Seminars three hours a week.

LING 4007 [0.5 credit]
Phonology II
Advanced topics in phonology.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Precludes additional credit for LING 4001 (no longer offered).
Prerequisite(s): LING 3007, and third-year standing.
Seminars three hours a week.

LING 4009 [0.5 credit]
Special Topic in Linguistics
Examination of a topic or more specialized area in linguistics or language study. Topic to be announced.
Repeatable for credit when the topic changes.
Prerequisite(s): third- or fourth-year standing in Linguistics or permission of the instructor.
Also offered at the graduate level, with different requirements, as LING 5009, for which additional credit is precluded.
Seminars three hours a week.
LING 4412 [0.5 credit]
Diversité du français
Études des variétés du français, dans ses dimensions spatiales. Le contenu précis de ce cours varie selon les années. Consulter le site web du Département de français pour obtenir les détails. The course is taught in French, but students will submit written assignments in English. Also listed as FREN 4412.
Prerequisite(s): FREN 2401 and FREN 3050, or permission of the Department. Also offered at the graduate level, with different requirements, as FREN 5412 and LING 5412, for which additional credit is precluded. Seminars three hours a week.

LING 4413 [0.5 credit]
Diachronie du français
Étude du français, dans ses dimensions historiques. Le contenu précis de ce cours varie selon les années. Consulter le site web du Département de français pour obtenir les détails. The course is taught in French, but students will submit written assignments in English. Also listed as FREN 4413.
Prerequisite(s): FREN 2401 and FREN 3050, or permission of the Department. Also offered at the graduate level, with different requirements, as FREN 5413 and LING 5413, for which additional credit is precluded. Seminars three hours a week.

LING 4414 [0.5 credit]
Analyse du français
Étude du français, dans ses dimensions morphologiques, syntaxiques ou phonologiques. Le contenu précis de ce cours varie selon les années. Consulter le site web du Département de français pour obtenir les détails. Course is taught in French, but students will submit written assignments in English. Also listed as FREN 4414.
Prerequisite(s): FREN 2401 and FREN 3050, or permission of the Department. Also offered at the graduate level, with different requirements, as FREN 5414 and LING 5414, for which additional credit is precluded. Seminars three hours a week.

LING 4415 [0.5 credit]
Variation du français
Étude des variations internes de la langue, dans des dimensions orales/écrites. Le contenu précis de ce cours varie selon les années. Consulter le site web du Département de français pour obtenir les détails. Course is taught in French, but students submit assignments in English. Also listed as FREN 4415.
Prerequisite(s): FREN 2401 and FREN 3050, or permission of the Department. Also offered at the graduate level, with different requirements, as FREN 5415 and LING 5415, for which additional credit is precluded. Seminars three hours a week.

LING 4505 [0.5 credit]
Formal Semantics
Advanced topics in compositional semantics and its interfaces. Topics may include: logic, semantic types, lambda calculus, intentional contexts, possible world semantics, interfaces with syntax and pragmatics quantification, anaphora, presupposition, implicatures, scope and binding, and model theory. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Also listed as PHIL 4505.
Prerequisite(s): LING 3505 or PHIL 3506, and third-year standing, or permission of the Department of Philosophy or School of Linguistics and Language Studies. Seminars three hours a week.

LING 4510 [0.5 credit]
Lexical Semantics
Study of the meaning of words. Topics may include lexical decomposition, meaning variation, lexical relations, and lexical aspect. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Also listed as PHIL 4055.
Precludes additional credit for LING 4055 (no longer offered).
Prerequisite(s): LING 3505 or PHIL 3506, and third-year standing. Also offered at the graduate level, with different requirements, as LING 5510, for which additional credit is precluded. Seminar three hours a week.
LING 4601 [0.5 credit]
Cognitive Neuroscience of Language
Further study of psychological and neurolinguistic mechanisms of adult language processing. May include topics from first language acquisition.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): LING 3601 or permission of the instructor.
Also offered at the graduate level, with different requirements, as LING 5601, for which additional credit is precluded.
Seminars three hours a week.

LING 4603 [0.5 credit]
First Language Acquisition
Advanced topics in language acquisition and development and the relative contributions of the environment, cognitive development, and inborn knowledge.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): LING 1001 and LING 3603.
Also offered at the graduate level, with different requirements, as LING 5603, for which additional credit is precluded.
Seminars three hours a week.

LING 4604 [0.5 credit]
Practicum in Speech Language Pathology
Through field placements, students pursue personal learning objectives related to speech-language pathology, with a focus on the clinical application of knowledge gained in the Psycholinguistics and Communication Differences concentration.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): LING 3604, fourth-year Honours standing in B.A. or B.Sc. in Linguistics with a Concentration in Psycholinguistics and Communication Disorders with a CGPA of 10.0 in the major, and permission from the School of Linguistics and Language Studies.
Field placement one day a week.

LING 4605 [0.5 credit]
Psycholinguistic Research Methods
Experimental methodologies used in current psycholinguistic studies. Topics include experimental design and techniques, descriptive statistics, and interpreting and reporting research findings.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Precludes additional credit for LING 4009 Section "A" (2015-16 and 2016-17) and LING 4009 Section "B" (2013-14) and LING 4009 Section "C" (2017-18).
Prerequisite(s): third- or fourth-year standing and LING 3601, or permission of the instructor.
Also offered at the graduate level, with different requirements, as LING 5605, for which additional credit is precluded.
Seminars three hours a week.

LING 4606 [0.5 credit]
Statistics for Language Research
Application of statistical procedures to analysis of language data and to problems of measurement in experimental linguistics, applied linguistics, psycholinguistics, and related fields.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Also listed as ALDS 4606.
Precludes additional credit for ALDS 4906/LING 4009 Section "B" if taken Winter 2015 or Winter 2016.
Prerequisite(s): Third-year standing in Linguistics or Applied Linguistics and Discourse Studies or Cognitive Science, or permission of the instructor.
Also offered at the graduate level, with different requirements, as LING 5606 and ALDS 5604, for which additional credit is precluded.
Seminar three hours a week.

LING 4801 [0.5 credit]
Linguistic Field Methods
With a language consultant, students discover the phonological, morphological, and syntactic structures of the target language using linguistic elicitation. Language will vary from year to year, but will normally be a non-European language. Language documentation, data management, ethical issues surrounding research in Indigenous communities.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): LING 2005 and LING 2007.
Also offered at the graduate level, with different requirements, as ALDS 5801, for which additional credit is precluded.
Lectures three hours a week.

LING 4802 [0.5 credit]
Historical Linguistics: English
A theory-intensive course that will study the development of English starting with Proto-Indo-European progressing through Common Germanic to the stages of English itself. Topics include phonological sound changes, phonemic inventories, and morphological and syntactic typology.
Precludes additional credit for LING 4101 (no longer offered).
Prerequisite(s): LING 2005 and LING 2007, and one of LING 3005, LING 3810 or LING 3811.
Also offered at the graduate level, with different requirements, as LING 5802, ENGL 5101., for which additional credit is precluded.
Seminars three hours a week.
LING 4805 [0.5 credit]
Old English
Studies in Old English literature and its cultural and historical contexts. Instruction in grammar to facilitate reading knowledge of the Old English language. Also listed as ENGL 4105. Precludes additional credit for ENGL 3102 (no longer offered). Prerequisite(s): fourth-year standing or permission of the department. Seminar or lecture three hours a week.

LING 4900 [1.0 credit]
Independent Study in Linguistics
Permits fourth-year Honours students to pursue their interests in a selected area of linguistics. Prerequisite(s): permission of the instructor.

LING 4901 [0.5 credit]
Independent Study in Linguistics
Permits fourth-year Honours students to pursue their interests in a selected area of linguistics. Prerequisite(s): permission of the instructor.

LING 4905 [1.0 credit]
Honours Project in Experimental Linguistics
Students choose existing study in linguistic literature, replicate the study, present findings, compare to original study. Practical experience gathering and preparing materials, running experiments, analyzing data, interpreting findings; real, important contributions to the field of linguistics via replication studies (as mandated by the scientific method). Includes: Experiential Learning Activity Precludes additional credit for LING 4910. Prerequisite(s): fourth-year Honours standing in Linguistics, with a Major CGPA of 9.0, and permission of the instructor. Unscheduled.

LING 4910 [1.0 credit]
Honours Thesis in Linguistics
A thesis project selected in consultation with the School and carried out under the direction of a faculty supervisor. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity Precludes additional credit for LING 4905. Prerequisite(s): fourth-year Honours standing in Linguistics with a CGPA of 10.0 in the major; one of LING 3004, LING 3007, LING 3505, or LING 3601; and permission of the instructor.