

LINGUISTICS

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The linguistics minor combines offerings from four departments in the Arts and Humanities and the Social and Behavioral Sciences divisions. Thus it provides an interdisciplinary concentration on the science of language including descriptive and sociolinguists as well as language acquisition, semantics, and more. Ideally, that will include at least one year of study in an ancient language or a modern one, but linguistics is decidedly not, as is frequently assumed, “just learning lots of languages.” This minor, rooted firmly in the humanities and social sciences, is a rewarding addition to majors in a wide variety of academic disciplines.

Programs

- Linguistics Minor (<http://catalog.linfield.edu/programs-az/arts-sciences/linguistics/linguistics-minor/>)

Courses

EDUC 245 EDUCATIONAL LINGUISTICS AND LANGUAGE ACQUISITION FOR ESOL (3 credits)

Current theory and research in first and second language acquisition and issues in linguistics applied to linguistically and culturally diverse students. Topics in language acquisition include historical and current theories, language stages, as well as the factors that influence learning an additional language. Topics in educational linguistics include concepts in phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics and pragmatics, with a focus on classroom applications.

Prerequisites: EDUC 240 or consent of instructor.

Typically offered: Spring Semester, Annually

GLSP 270 SPANISH IN THE US (3 credits)

Study of the language situation surrounding Spanish in the United States including sociolinguistic, historical, and political perspectives. Conducted in English.

Total Course fees: \$15.00

Typically offered: Spring Semester, Odd Years

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GLSP 370 SPANISH IN THE US (4 credits)

Study of the language situation surrounding Spanish in the United States including sociolinguistic, historical, and political perspectives. Class discussion conducted in English with GLSP 270 students. Additional 50-minute discussion session and readings in Spanish. Exams, class project also in Spanish.

Total Course fees: \$20.00

Prerequisites: GLSP 302, or study abroad or consent of instructor.

Typically offered: Spring Semester, Odd Years

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RELS 202 HEBREW I (4 credits)

Elements of Hebrew grammar. Language tapes and class exercises to give the student experience in spoken, elementary, Modern Hebrew; readings from prose sections of the Hebrew Bible. With RELS 203, meets the language requirement for the B.A.

RELS 203 HEBREW II: READINGS IN BIBLE (4 credits)

Selected passages from the prose and poetry of the Hebrew Bible.

Prerequisites: RELS 202.

RELS 204 SANSKRIT I (4 credits)

Introduction to Sanskrit language: Reading, writing, pronunciation basic grammar. Fulfills BA language requirement when completed with RELS 205.

Prerequisites: Consent of instructor.

RELS 205 SANSKRIT II (4 credits)

Continuation of first-year Sanskrit. Continued study of basic grammar necessary to begin reading Sanskrit literature. Fulfills BA language requirement when completed with RELS 204.

Prerequisites: RELS 204 or consent of instructor.

SOAN 106 INTRODUCTION TO LINGUISTICS (3 credits)

An introduction to linguistics, the scientific study of human language. Consideration of languages as systems of sounds, forms, structures, meanings, and symbols. Attention will also be given to the biological, psychological, social, anthropological, and cultural aspects of language and language use. No background in languages other than English is required (although such background will be helpful and welcomed).

(Listed as GLCS 106 and SOAN 106.)

Total Course fees: \$20.00

Typically offered: Spring Semester, Even Years

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SOAN 111 CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY (4 credits)

Anthropological study of culture and society; world cultures and their variation in social, political, and economic organization, belief systems and world view, material culture and the arts, patterns of adaptation. Assumptions, concepts, and methods of anthropologists. Students who earned credit in ANTH 111 may not enroll in this course.

Prerequisites: Freshman or sophomore standing or consent of instructor.

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SOAN 341 LANGUAGE & CULTURE (4 credits)

Anthropological study of the relationship between language and culture, sociolinguistics (situating language in cultural context), and language patterns that shape culture.

Prerequisites: SOAN 111 or SOAN 106 or GLCS 106.

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