LINGUISTICS (M.A.)

Admission Requirements

Admission to this program is contingent upon admission to the Graduate School (https://bulletins.wayne.edu/graduate/general-information/admission/). In addition, applicants to the linguistics program must have taken at least one year of a foreign language.

Program Requirements

The master's degree is offered by the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences with both a Plan B and a Plan C master's options. Plan B requires a minimum of thirty credits in course work plus a three-credit essay. Plan C requires a minimum of thirty-three credits that include at least two 7000-level seminars. All course work must be completed in accordance with the regulations of the Graduate School (https://bulletins.wayne.edu/graduate/general-information/academic-regulations/) and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (https://bulletins.wayne.edu/graduate/college-liberal-arts-sciences/academic-regulations/).

Programs are planned in consultation with the linguistics program advisor. To be admitted to candidacy, a coherent Plan of Work, listing both completed and proposed courses, must be submitted to the College by the time twelve credits have been earned.

Code	Title	Credits
Required Courses		
LIN 5290	Phonology	3
LIN 5300	Syntax	3
LIN 5700	Introduction to Linguistic Theory	3
Language-use Course [1,2]		**3**
Select one of the following:		
LIN 5210	Arabic Sociolinguistics	
LIN 5320	Language and Societies	
LIN 5770	Sociolinguistics	
LIN 5900	Culture, Language and Cognition	
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (Field Methods)	
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (Pidgins and Creoles)	
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (Pragmatics)	
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (Language Variations)	
LIN 7720	Advanced Studies in Language Use	
Seminar Course [1]		**3**
Select one of the following:		
LIN 7320	Seminar in Hispanic Linguistics	
LIN 7710	Advanced Studies in Linguistic Structure	
LIN 7720	Advanced Studies in Language Use	
Elective Courses		**15**
The remaining courses are electives chosen in consultation with an advisor. Courses may be chosen from any one or more of the areas listed on the next tab. (A maximum of twelve credits may be earned in LIN 6720).		
LIN 7999	Master's Essay Direction [3]	3
Total Credits		**33**

1. The language-use and seminar course requirements may not be satisfied by the same course.
2. The language use course involves either the analysis of speech data acquired in fieldwork or theories that address language use.
3. Students following the Plan C coursework-only option should choose one additional 7000-level seminar in lieu of the Master's Essay Direction course.

Elective Courses

Selected in consultation with an advisor, courses may be chosen from any one or more of the areas listed below. (A maximum of twelve credits may be earned in LIN 6720).

Linguistics and a Language

Students may complete up to nine credits in advanced language skills or in the linguistics of the chosen language as part of their electives. These credits are to be selected in consultation with an advisor.

Language Structure

Code	Title	Credits
LIN 5050	Advanced Symbolic Logic	4
LIN 5220	Introduction to Chinese Linguistics	3
LIN 5230	Structure of Arabic	3
LIN 5240	Grammar of Chinese	3
LIN 5570	Philosophy of Language	4
LIN 5715	Morphology	3
LIN 5730	English Grammar	3
LIN 5745	Semantics	3
LIN 5900	Culture, Language and Cognition	3
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (chosen in consultation with an advisor)	3
LIN 7320/ SPA 8420	Seminar in Hispanic Linguistics	3
LIN 7710	Advanced Studies in Linguistic Structure	3
SPA 6400	Introduction to Hispanic Linguistics	3

Language Variation and Change

Code	Title	Credits
LIN 5100	Languages of Asia	3
LIN 5320	Language and Societies	3
LIN 5715	Morphology	3
LIN 5770	Sociolinguistics	3
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (chosen in consultation with an advisor)	3
LIN 7320/ SPA 8420	Seminar in Hispanic Linguistics	3
LIN 7720	Advanced Studies in Language Use	3
ITA 6400	Languages of Italy	3
SPA 7510	History of the Spanish Language	3

Language Acquisition and Processing

Code	Title	Credits
LIN 5080	Phonetics	3
LIN 5360	Child Language Acquisition	3
LIN 5900	Culture, Language and Cognition	3
LIN 7320/ SPA 8420	Seminar in Hispanic Linguistics	3
PSY 7080	Human Cognition	3
PSY 7440	Cognitive Development	3
SLP 5300	Introduction to Speech-Language Pathology	3
SPA 5200	Spanish Phonetics	3

Sociolinguistics and Discourse/Pragmatics

Code	Title	Credits
LIN 5210	Arabic Sociolinguistics	3
LIN 5320	Language and Societies	3
LIN 5770	Sociolinguistics	3
LIN 6720	Topics in Language (chosen in consultation with an advisor)	3
LIN 7320/ SPA 8420	Seminar in Hispanic Linguistics	3
LIN 7720	Advanced Studies in Language Use	3