

# LINGUISTICS (LING)

## 100 Level Courses

**LING 100:** *Human Language*. 3 credits.

Introduces students to human language, the fundamental role it plays in human communities and interactions, and its complex, systematic inner workings. Dispels common myths about language and ask questions such as: How do babies learn language? Do animals have language? Can humans invent languages? What is a dialect? How do languages differ and change? Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts.

**Mason Core:** Mason Core, Social/Behavioral Sciences (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>)

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

## 300 Level Courses

**LING 300:** *Linguistic Variation*. 3 credits.

This course provides an overview of attested and recurrent patterns of variation across languages and how the world's linguistic diversity can be described. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 306:** *Introduction to Linguistic Analysis*. 3 credits.

Introduces terminology and methodologies used in modern linguistic science. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts.

**Mason Core:** Mason Core, Social/Behavioral Sciences (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>)

**Schedule Type:** Lecture, Recitation

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 314:** *Experimental Methods*. 3 credits.

Conceptualizing and conducting experimental language research, including process of developing research questions, gathering data, obtaining permission from institutional review board, choosing data collection measures, and coding linguistic and nonlinguistic data. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 300 or LING 306

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 316:** *Linguistic Field Methods*. 3 credits.

An introduction to field methods in linguistics for language documentation and description. Students engage in linguistic fieldwork

with a speaker of a particular language and undertake original research with the resulting language data. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 300, LING 306, or equivalent

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 317:** *Computational and Quantitative Methods in Linguistics*. 3 credits.

Introduces programming and quantitative language data analysis. Builds fundamental skills in computational tools. Note: This course assumes no background in coding. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 300 or equivalent

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 321:** *Applied Linguistics: Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)*. 3 credits.

Theories and basic principles of teaching a second language, especially as they relate to English language. Introduces students to methods of teaching English to speakers of other languages. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts.

**Registration Restrictions:**

**Required Prerequisite:** LING 306<sup>C</sup>.

<sup>C</sup> Requires minimum grade of C.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 322:** *English Grammar and Pedagogy*. 3 credits.

Overview of structure of modern English, and of principles of grammar pedagogy. Begins with word classes and ends with analyses of complex sentences. Students learn to tap intuitions about English for analysis of grammatical structure, and to evaluate pedagogical strategies for teaching English. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts. Equivalent to ENGH 307, LING 307.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 323:** *English Pronunciation and Pedagogy*. 3 credits.

Description and analysis of sound system of modern English, and principles and strategies for teaching speaking and listening. Topics include segmental phonetics, syllable structure, connected speech, and prosodic phenomena. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/>)

colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/). Limited to three attempts.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 331: *Phonetics*. 3 credits.**

Introduction to phonetic theory and phonetic representation, including articulatory, acoustic and perceptual characteristics of human speech. Students will learn and practice acoustic analysis, perceptual testing, production and transcription of speech sounds from the world's languages. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 332: *Phonology A*. 3 credits.**

Sound systems of English and other languages from perspectives of phonological theory. Topics include articulatory phonetics, distinctive features, nature of phonological representations, rhythm and stress, and phonological universals and constraints. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts. Equivalent to LING 490.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 333: *Phonology B*. 3 credits.**

Experimental, quantitative, and laboratory approaches to phonology. Topics may include experimental instrumentation, empirical inquiry, and reconciliation of theory and data, as applied to sound patterns in language. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 331

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 335: *Morphology*. 3 credits.**

Explores word-level patterns of variation in language. Provides an overview of current approaches to morphology, morphological variation in world languages, and the dominant descriptive and theoretical models of this variation. Discusses connections to typology, psycholinguistics, and computational approaches. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts. Equivalent to LING 489.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 300

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 336: *Syntax A*. 3 credits.**

Nature and form of syntactic theory, and examination and analysis of the properties of several major natural language syntactic structures. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts. Equivalent to LING 486.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 306

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 337: *Syntax B*. 3 credits.**

Typological, quantitative, and corpus-based analysis of sentence structure and its variation across languages. Students will gain familiarity with a variety of syntactic phenomena, approaches, and methodologies. The course also introduces resources and simple tools that can be used to test theoretical and typological claims on realistic large-scale data. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts. Equivalent to LING 486.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 300

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 338: *Semantics and Pragmatics*. 3 credits.**

Developments in theoretical linguistics that explore how language form is related to meaning and context. Topics include reference, lexical semantics, logic, quantification, truth conditions and sentential meaning, presuppositions, and speech acts. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts. Equivalent to LING 485.

**Recommended Corequisite:** LING 306

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 342: *Second Language Acquisition*. 3 credits.**

Examines second language (L2) acquisition from linguistic perspective. Compares first and second language acquisition. Explores factors contributing to L2 variation, including linguistic universals, transfer, age, input, and affective considerations. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 300, 306, 331, 332, 333, 335, 336, 337, or 338

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

## 400 Level Courses

**LING 400: *Special Topics in Linguistics*. 3 credits.**

Study of select topics in linguistics. May be repeated when topic is different. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/>)

humanities-social-sciences/english/). May be repeated within the term for a maximum 9 credits. Equivalent to LING 496.

**Specialized Designation:** Topic Varies

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 300 or 306 and related LING 331, 332, 333, 335, 336, 337, or 338 depending on instructor and topic

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 424: Practicum in TESOL.** 3 credits.

Involves preparation and presentation of lessons to adult English learners under guidance of mentor teacher and practicum professor. Field experience consists of observation and teaching in assigned classroom. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 322 or 522; LING 323 or 523

**Registration Restrictions:**

**Required Prerequisites:** LING 321<sup>B-</sup>, 321<sup>XS</sup>, 521<sup>B-</sup> or 521<sup>XS</sup>.

<sup>B-</sup> Requires minimum grade of B-.

<sup>XS</sup> Requires minimum grade of XS.

**Schedule Type:** Internship

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 441: First Language Acquisition.** 3 credits.

Examines first language acquisition from a linguistic perspective. Covers the development of a first phonology, syntax, and semantics. Emphasizes research methods in the study of child language. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts. Equivalent to LING 480.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 331, 332, 333, 335, 336, 337, or 338

**Registration Restrictions:**

**Required Prerequisites:** LING 300<sup>C</sup> or 306<sup>C</sup>.

<sup>C</sup> Requires minimum grade of C.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 443: Psycholinguistics.** 3 credits.

Study of the psychological aspects of human language. Explores the processes that allow humans to produce and comprehend language, including speech, sign, and writing. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 300, 306, 331, 332, 333, 335, 336, 337, or 338

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 451: Sociolinguistics.** 3 credits.

Overview of the study of language variation and change. Topics to be covered include the interaction between language and social factors (age, sex, social class), dialects of English, speech communities, language contact, and language and gender. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts. Equivalent to LING 450.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 300

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 453: Typology.** 3 credits.

Provides an overview of typological traditions which study the scope of diversity and similarity across languages. Covers a variety of approaches, from classical universal-based typology to contemporary approaches including quantitative and cognitively informed ones. Discusses the role of ecological factors in language diversity and the place of human language systems within the broader typology of communication systems. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 306 and one from among LING 486, 489 and 490

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 461: Historical Studies of the English Language.** 3 credits.

A chronological survey of the development of English from Old and Middle English to Modern English and American English, taking into account historical changes in phonology, morphology, syntax, and semantics. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 471: Computational Linguistics.** 3 credits.

Introduces some of the central questions and techniques in Natural Language Processing (NLP) and Computational Linguistics (CL). Provides foundations for developing further interest in linguistics by using contemporary quantitative and computational techniques to investigate the statistical nature of linguistic patterns and human communication. Of interest to students considering employment in the expanding area of technology and language. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts. Equivalent to LING 475.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 300 and 317

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 480: RS: First Language Acquisition.** 3 credits.

Examines first language acquisition from a linguistic perspective. Covers the development of a first phonology, syntax, and semantics. Emphasizes research methods in the study of child language. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts. Equivalent to LING 441.

**Mason Core:** Mason Core, Mason Apex (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>)

**Specialized Designation:** Research/Scholarship Intensive

**Registration Restrictions:**

**Required Prerequisites:** (LING 306<sup>C</sup> or 306<sup>XS</sup>).

<sup>C</sup> Requires minimum grade of C.

<sup>XS</sup> Requires minimum grade of XS.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 495: Laboratory Research Experience.** 3 credits.

Under supervision of one of the Linguistics Lab directors or a senior lab member, students will engage in concrete laboratory research and work towards the completion of a small research project. This course will introduce students to team-based research using research lab facilities. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May be repeated within the term for a maximum 6 credits.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 300 or equivalent

**Registration Restrictions:**

**Required Prerequisites:** LING 314<sup>C</sup>, 315<sup>C</sup>, 316<sup>C</sup> or 317<sup>C</sup>.

<sup>C</sup> Requires minimum grade of C.

**Schedule Type:** Internship

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Special scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 496: Special Topics in Linguistics.** 3 credits.

Study of select topics in linguistics. May be repeated when topic is different. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May be repeated within the term for a maximum 6 credits. Equivalent to LING 400.

**Specialized Designation:** Topic Varies

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 306

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 497: Linguistics Apex Research.** 3 credits.

Students' study of linguistics will culminate in a high-impact experience designing and completing a research project related the topic for the semester. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts.

**Mason Core:** Mason Core, Mason Apex (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>)

**Specialized Designation:** Research/Scholarship Intensive, Topic Varies

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 331, 332, 333, 335, 336, 337, or 338 depending on semester topic for LING 497.

**Registration Restrictions:**

**Required Prerequisites:** LING 300<sup>C</sup> or 306<sup>C</sup>.

<sup>C</sup> Requires minimum grade of C.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 499: Independent Study.** 1-3 credits.

Intensive study of particular theoretical problem in linguistics conducted by student in close consultation with instructor. Student produces substantial piece of written work on research findings. Notes: May be repeated with permission of instructor. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May be repeated within the degree for a maximum 6 credits.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 306 and 3 other LING credits and permission of instructor.

**Schedule Type:** Independent Study

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**500 Level Courses****LING 500: Linguistic Variation.** 3 credits.

This course provides an overview of attested and recurrent patterns of variation across languages and how the world's linguistic diversity can be described. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>).

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 506: Introduction to Linguistic Analysis.** 3 credits.

Introduces terminology and methodologies used in modern linguistic science. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to LING 520.

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)



**LING 507: *Field Work in Applied Linguistics*.** 3 credits.

Field work providing working experience in language-teaching program or educational research organization. Notes: Contact the department one semester prior to enrollment. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May be repeated within the degree for a maximum 6 credits.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 306, 520, 521, or 582.

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 514: *Experimental Methods*.** 3 credits.

Conceptualizing and conducting experimental language research, including process of developing research questions, gathering data, obtaining permission from institutional review board, choosing data collection measures, and coding linguistic and nonlinguistic data. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit.

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 515: *Statistical Methods in Linguistics*.** 3 credits.

Exposure to statistical methods used in modern linguistics. Special emphasis is placed on practical skills that students will be able to apply to their own research or work. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 514 or equivalent

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 516: *Linguistic Field Methods*.** 3 credits.

An introduction to field methods in linguistics for language documentation and description. Students engage in linguistic fieldwork with a speaker of a particular language and undertake original

research with the resulting language data. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>).

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 500, 606, or equivalent

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 517: *Computational and Quantitative Methods in Linguistics*.** 3 credits.

Introduces programming and quantitative language data analysis. Builds fundamental skills in computational tools. Notes: This course assumes no background in coding. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to LING 570.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 500 or equivalent

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 521: *Applied Linguistics: Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)*.** 3 credits.

Theories and basic principles of teaching a second language, especially as they relate to English language. Introduces students to methods of teaching English to speakers of other languages. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>).

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 690 or LING 687

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 522: *English Grammar and Pedagogy*.** 3 credits.

Overview of structure of modern English, and of principles of grammar pedagogy. Begins with word classes and ends with analyses of complex sentences. Students learn to tap intuitions about English for analysis of grammatical structure, and to evaluate pedagogical strategies for teaching English. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>).

schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/). May not be repeated for credit.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** One linguistics course or permission of instructor.

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 523: English Pronunciation and Pedagogy.** 3 credits.

Description and analysis of sound system of modern English, and principles and strategies for teaching speaking and listening. Topics include segmental phonetics, syllable structure, connected speech, and prosodic phenomena. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit.

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 531: Phonetics.** 3 credits.

Introduction to phonetic theory and phonetic representation, including articulatory, acoustic and perceptual characteristics of human speech. Students will learn and practice acoustic analysis, perceptual testing, production and transcription of speech sounds from the world's languages. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Equivalent to LING 693.

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 532: Phonology A.** 3 credits.

Sound systems of English and other languages from perspectives of phonological theory. Topics include articulatory phonetics, distinctive features, nature of phonological representations, rhythm and stress, and phonological universals and constraints. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit.

[catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/](https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/)). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to LING 690.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 506 or LING 500

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 533: Phonology B.** 3 credits.

Experimental, quantitative, and laboratory approaches to phonology. Topics may include experimental instrumentation, empirical inquiry, and reconciliation of theory and data, as applied to sound patterns in language. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to LING 790.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 531

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 535: Morphology.** 3 credits.

Explores word-level patterns of variation in language. Provides an overview of current approaches to morphology, morphological variation in world languages, and the dominant descriptive and theoretical models of this variation. Discusses connections to typology, psycholinguistics, and computational approaches. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Equivalent to LING 689.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 500

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 536: Syntax A.** 3 credits.

Nature and form of syntactic theory, and examination and analysis of the properties of several major natural language syntactic structures. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to LING 787.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 506

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 537: Syntax B.** 3 credits.

Typological, quantitative, and corpus-based analysis of sentence structure and its variation across languages. Students will gain familiarity with a variety of syntactic phenomena, approaches, and methodologies.

The course also introduces resources and simple tools that can be used to test theoretical and typological claims on realistic large-scale data. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to LING 687.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 500

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 538: Semantics and Pragmatics 1.** 3 credits.

Developments in theoretical linguistics that explore how language form is related to meaning and context. Topics include reference, lexical semantics, logic, quantification, truth conditions and sentential meaning, presuppositions, and speech acts. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to LING 688, LING 785.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 506

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 542: Second Language Acquisition 1.** 3 credits.

Examines second language (L2) acquisition from linguistic perspective. Compares first and second language acquisition. Explores factors contributing to L2 variation, including linguistic universals, transfer, age, input, and affective considerations. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Equivalent to LING 582.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 500, 506, 531/731, 532/732, 533/733, 535/735, 536/736, 537/737, or 538/638 (or undergraduate equivalent)

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

## 600 Level Courses

**LING 600: Special Topics in Linguistics.** 3 credits.

Study of select topics in linguistics. May be repeated when topic is different. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May be repeated within the term for a maximum 9 credits. Equivalent to LING 686.

**Specialized Designation:** Topic Varies

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 500 or 506 and related LING 531, 532, 533, 535, 536, 537 or 538 depending on instructor and topic

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 624: Practicum in TESOL.** 3 credits.

Involves preparation and presentation of lessons to adult English learners under guidance of mentor teacher and practicum professor. Field experience consists of observation and teaching in assigned classroom. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to LING 525, LING 625.

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Satisfactory/No Credit scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 638: Semantics and Pragmatics 1.** 3 credits.

Developments in theoretical linguistics that explore how language form is related to meaning and context. Topics include reference, lexical semantics, logic, quantification, truth conditions and sentential meaning, presuppositions, and speech acts. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to LING 688, LING 785.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 506

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 641: *First Language Acquisition*.** 3 credits.

Examines first language acquisition from a linguistic perspective. Covers the development of a first phonology, syntax, and semantics. Emphasizes research methods in the study of child language. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Equivalent to LING 580.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 531/731, 532/732, 533/733, 535/735, 536/736, 537/737, or 538/638 (or undergraduate equivalent)

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 642: *Second Language Acquisition 1*.** 3 credits.

Examines second language (L2) acquisition from linguistic perspective. Compares first and second language acquisition. Explores factors contributing to L2 variation, including linguistic universals, transfer, age, input, and affective considerations. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Equivalent to LING 582.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 500, 506, 531/731, 532/732, 533/733, 535/735, 536/736, 537/737, or 538/638 (or undergraduate equivalent)

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 643: *Psycholinguistics*.** 3 credits.

Study of the psychological aspects of human language. Explores the processes that allow humans to produce and comprehend language, including speech, sign, and writing. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to LING 581.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 500, 506, 531, 532, 533, 535, 536, 537, or 538.

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 651: *Sociolinguistics*.** 3 credits.

Overview of the study of language variation and change. Topics to be covered include the interaction between language and social factors (age, sex, social class), dialects of English, speech communities, language contact, and language and gender. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to LING 650.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 500

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 653: *Typology*.** 3 credits.

Overview of typological traditions describing the scope of diversity and similarity across languages. Topics include classical and contemporary approaches to human language typology and the place of human language in the broader typology of communication systems. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to LING 685.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 500

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 661: *Historical Studies of the English Language*.** 3 credits.

A chronological survey of the development of English from Old and Middle English to Modern English and American English, taking into account historical changes in phonology, morphology, syntax, and semantics. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Equivalent to LING 534.

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.



**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 671: *Computational Linguistics I*.** 3 credits.

Introduces some of the central questions and techniques in Natural Language Processing (NLP) and Computational Linguistics (CL). Provides foundations for developing further interest in linguistics by using contemporary quantitative and computational techniques to investigate the statistical nature of linguistic patterns and human communication. Of interest to students considering employment in the expanding area of technology and language. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to LING 675.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 500 and 517

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 692: *Phonology II*.** 3 credits.

Recent trends in phonological theory. Topics include stress assignment, tone spreading, and vowel harmony, from within nonlinear framework. Discusses segmental structure and underspecification. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 690.

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

## 700 Level Courses

**LING 714: *Experimental Methods*.** 3 credits.

Conceptualizing and conducting experimental language research, including process of developing research questions, gathering data, obtaining permission from institutional review board, choosing data collection measures, and coding linguistic and nonlinguistic data. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit.

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate or Non-Degree.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 715: *Statistical Methods in Linguistics*.** 3 credits.

Exposure to statistical methods used in modern linguistics. Special emphasis is placed on practical skills that students will be able to apply to their own research or work. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>).

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 514 or equivalent

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate or Non-Degree.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 716: *Linguistic Field Methods*.** 3 credits.

An introduction to field methods in linguistics for language documentation and description. Students engage in linguistic fieldwork with a speaker of a particular language and undertake original research with the resulting language data. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Equivalent to LING 673.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 500, 606, or equivalent

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate or Non-Degree.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 717: *Computational and Quantitative Methods in Linguistics*.** 3 credits.

Introduces programming and quantitative language data analysis. Builds fundamental skills in computational tools. Notes: This course assumes no background in coding. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to LING 570.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 500 or equivalent

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate or Non-Degree.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 731: *Phonetics*.** 3 credits.

Introduction to phonetic theory and phonetic representation, including articulatory, acoustic and perceptual characteristics of human speech. Students will learn and practice acoustic analysis, perceptual testing, production and transcription of speech sounds from the world's languages. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to LING 693.

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate or Non-Degree.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 732: *Phonology A*.** 3 credits.

Sound systems of English and other languages from perspectives of phonological theory. Topics include articulatory phonetics, distinctive features, nature of phonological representations, rhythm and stress, and phonological universals and constraints. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to LING 690.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 506 or LING 500

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate or Non-Degree.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 733: *Phonology B*.** 3 credits.

Experimental, quantitative, and laboratory approaches to phonology. Topics may include experimental instrumentation, empirical inquiry, and reconciliation of theory and data, as applied to sound patterns in language. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to LING 790.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 531

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate or Non-Degree.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 735: *Morphology*.** 3 credits.

Explores word-level patterns of variation in language. Provides an overview of current approaches to morphology, morphological variation in world languages, and the dominant descriptive and theoretical models of this variation. Discusses connections to typology, psycholinguistics, and computational approaches. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Equivalent to LING 689.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 500

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate or Non-Degree.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 736: *Syntax A*.** 3 credits.

Nature and form of syntactic theory, and examination and analysis of the properties of several major natural language syntactic structures. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to LING 787.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 506

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate or Junior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 737: *Syntax B*.** 3 credits.

Typological, quantitative, and corpus-based analysis of sentence structure and its variation across languages. Students will gain familiarity with a variety of syntactic phenomena, approaches, and methodologies. The course also introduces resources and simple tools that can be used to test theoretical and typological claims on realistic large-scale data. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to LING 687, LING 786.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 500

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate or Non-Degree.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 738: *Semantics and Pragmatics 2*.** 3 credits.

Advanced course in semantic and pragmatic theory. Study of meaning under truth-conditional, model-theoretic framework explored and related to syntax and pragmatics. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to LING 788.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 538 or LING 638 or permission of instructor

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate or Non-Degree.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 741: *First Language Acquisition*.** 3 credits.

Examines first language acquisition from a linguistic perspective. Covers the development of a first phonology, syntax, and semantics. Emphasizes research methods in the study of child language. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to LING 580.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 531/731, 532/732, 533/733, 535/735, 536/736, 537/737, or 538/638 (or undergraduate equivalent)

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate or Non-Degree.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 742: *Second Language Acquisition 2*.** 3 credits.

Advanced course in second-language acquisition theory. Detailed analysis of internal and external constraints. Variation addressed from linguistic, psychological, and environmental perspectives. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to LING 782.

**Registration Restrictions:**

**Required Prerequisite:** LING 542<sup>B-</sup>.

<sup>B-</sup> Requires minimum grade of B-.

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy or Graduate.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 771: *Computational Linguistics II*.** 3 credits.

This course focuses on advanced topics in Computational Linguistics. Topics may vary. Students are expected to complete an advanced research project using appropriate and advanced computational and

quantitative methods. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). Limited to three attempts.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 500, 517, and 671

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate or Non-Degree.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 775: *Computational Linguistics II*.** 3 credits.

Practical introduction to automated data collection and using linguistic resources for computational and quantitative data analysis. Topics include existing resources, licensing and data sharing issues, ethical considerations, and the speed, consistency and precision issues that arise when collecting linguistic data from a variety of corpora. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 689

**Registration Restrictions:**

**Required Prerequisites:** (LING 675<sup>B-</sup> or 675<sup>XS</sup>).

<sup>B-</sup> Requires minimum grade of B-.

<sup>XS</sup> Requires minimum grade of XS.

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate or Non-Degree.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 788: *Semantics and Pragmatics II*.** 3 credits.

Advanced course in semantic and pragmatic theory. Study of meaning under truth-conditional, model-theoretic framework explored and related to syntax and pragmatics. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to LING 738.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 785 or permission of instructor.

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Non-Degree level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 795: *Laboratory Research Experience*.** 3 credits.

Under supervision of one of the Linguistics Lab directors or a senior lab member, students will engage in concrete laboratory research and work towards the completion of a small research project. This course

will introduce students to team-based research using research lab facilities. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May be repeated within the term for a maximum 6 credits.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 514, 515, 516 and/or 517 depending on instructor

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate or Non-Degree.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Independent Study

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Special scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 798: Directed Reading and Research.** 1-3 credits.

Reading, research, and writing on specific project under direction of departmental member. Notes: Open only to students who have completed at least 18 credits of LING courses. Prior approval by faculty member required. Written report required. May be repeated with permission of director. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May be repeated within the degree for a maximum 6 credits.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** 18 credits of linguistics courses.

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Non-Degree level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Thesis

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Special scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 799: Thesis.** 1-6 credits.

Students who take LING 798 to develop thesis topic and then elect thesis option receive 3 credits after completing thesis. Students who do not take LING 798, or who take it to work on project unrelated to thesis, receive up to 6 credits after completing thesis. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May be repeated within the degree.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** Open only to students who have completed at least 18 credits of LING courses.

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Non-Degree level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

**Schedule Type:** Thesis

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Satisfactory/No Credit scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

## 800 Level Courses

**LING 800: Advanced Seminar in Linguistics.** 3 credits.

Advanced topics seminar on current linguistic research. Notes: May be repeated for credit when topic is different. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>).

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**Specialized Designation:** Topic Varies

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 500 or 506 and related LING 531, 532, 533, 535, 536, 537 or 538 depending on instructor and topic 1-2 semesters of coursework in the topic of study or permission of instructor

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy or Graduate.

**Schedule Type:** Lecture

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 897: Independent study.** 3 credits.

Independent reading on a topic agreed on by student and faculty member. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May be repeated within the degree for a maximum 12 credits.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** PhD rank or permission of instructor.

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

**Schedule Type:** Independent Study

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 898: Advanced Qualifying Research 1.** 3 credits.

Work on first PhD qualifying paper. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May be repeated within the term for a maximum 6 credits.

**Specialized Designation:** Topic Varies

**Recommended Prerequisite:** Completion of 33 credits of core courses in linguistics.

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

**Schedule Type:** Independent Study

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Special scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 899: Advanced Qualifying Research 2.** 3 credits.

Work on second PhD qualifying paper. Topic must be significantly different from topic chosen in LING 898. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May be repeated within the term for a maximum 6 credits.

**Specialized Designation:** Topic Varies

**Recommended Prerequisite:** Completion of 33 credits of core courses in linguistics.

**Registration Restrictions:**

**Required Prerequisite:** LING 898<sup>B-</sup>.

<sup>B-</sup> Requires minimum grade of B-.

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy or Graduate.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

**Schedule Type:** Independent Study

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Special scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

## 900 Level Courses

**LING 998:** *Doctoral Dissertation Proposal*. 1-6 credits.

Work on research proposal that forms basis for the doctoral dissertation.

Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May be repeated within the degree.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** Advancement to candidacy.

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

**Schedule Type:** Dissertation

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Satisfactory/No Credit scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

**LING 999:** *Doctoral Dissertation*. 1-12 credits.

Doctoral dissertation research and writing under direction of student's dissertation committee. Offered by English (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/>). May be repeated within the degree.

**Recommended Prerequisite:** LING 998.

**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

**Schedule Type:** Dissertation

**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Satisfactory/No Credit scale. (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)