

Linguistics, BS

The major in linguistics provides students with a strong foundation in the study of linguistics at both the structural and social levels. Coursework on the structural side focuses on the internal structures that make up language and the methods and theories used to identify and understand these core structures (for example, in courses covering phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, and semantics), while coursework on the social side emphasizes the methods and theories that are used to study and interpret patterns of social interaction at the linguistic level (for example, in courses covering language and culture, sociolinguistics, and language and gender). Additional coursework draws from related fields to further develop students' understanding of the broad spectrum of language-related domains (for example, psycholinguistics, language acquisition, and historical linguistics, among other topics).

Program Requirements

Complete all courses listed below unless otherwise indicated. Also complete any corequisite labs, recitations, clinicals, or tools courses where specified and complete any additional courses needed beyond specific college and major requirements to satisfy graduation credit requirements.

Universitywide Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the Universitywide Requirements (<http://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/university-wide-requirements/>).

NUpath Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the NUpath Requirements (<http://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/>).

Linguistics Major Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Foundational Courses		
LING 1150 or LING 1449	Introduction to Language and Linguistics English Now and Then	4
LING 2350	Linguistic Analysis	4
LING 3412	Language and Culture	4
Linguistic Structure		
LING 3420	Phonetics	4
LING 3422	Phonology	4
LING 3424	Morphology	4
LING 3450	Syntax	4
LING 3452	Semantics	4
Language in Context		
Complete one of the following:		4
LING 3442	Sociolinguistics	
LING 3456	Language and Gender	
Language Change		
Complete one of the following:		4
LING 3454	History of English	
LING 3460	Historical Linguistics	
Linguistics Electives		
Complete five electives (any courses in the range LING 3000 to LING 4999 that haven't already been taken to fulfill other major requirements and up to two from the following):		20
DEAF 2700	ASL Linguistics	
PHIL 1115	Introduction to Logic	
PSYC 4522	Psychology of Reading	
PSYC 4610	Laboratory in Psycholinguistics	
PSYC 4612	Laboratory in Cognition	
PSYC 4658	Seminar in Psycholinguistics	
PSYC 4660	Seminar in Cognition	
PSYC 4674	Seminar in Cognitive Neuroscience	
PSYC 4676	Seminar in Developmental Psychology	

Research Experience

Complete at least one of the following: 4

LING 3150	Field Linguistics
LING 4891	Research Seminar in Linguistics

With prior linguistics program approval, one of the following experiences can be used to fulfill the research experience:

LING 4991	Directed Study Research
LING 4970 and LING 4971	Junior/Senior Honors Project 1 and Junior/Senior Honors Project 2

Linguistics Seminar

Take at least one seminar (LING 4654 may be repeated with different topics):

LING 4654	Seminar in Linguistics	4
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Supporting Courses

Code **Title** **Hours**

Complete two courses in the same language with a grade of C or higher. Proficiency at elementary level 2 or higher is required. 8

Linguistics Major Credit Requirement

Complete 76 semester hours in the major.

Program Requirement

128 total semester hours required

Plan of Study**Sample Five Years, Three Co-ops in Summer 2/Fall**

Year 1								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	Hours
INSC 1000		1 LING 2350		4 Vacation		0 Vacation		0
LING 1150	4	LING elective		4				
ENGW 1111	4	Foreign language course		4				
Foreign language course	4	NUpath or elective		4				
NUpath or elective	4							
		17			16			0
Year 2								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	Hours
LING 3412		4 Language in context course		4 Vacation		0 Co-op		0
Linguistic structure course	4	Linguistic structure course		4				
Language change course	4	Linguistic structure course		4				
NUpath or elective	4	Linguistics elective		4				
		EESC 2000		1				
		16			17			0
Year 3								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	Hours
Co-op	0	Linguistic structure course		4 NUpath or elective		4 Co-op		0
		Linguistics elective		4 NUpath or elective		4		
		ENGW 3315		4				
		NUpath or elective		4				
		0			16			8
Year 4								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	Hours
Co-op	0	Linguistic structure course		4 NUpath or elective		4 Co-op		0
		Linguistics elective		4 NUpath or elective		4		
		NUpath or elective		4				
		NUpath or elective		4				
		0			16			8

Year 5

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
Co-op	0	Linguistics seminar	4
		Linguistics elective	4
		Linguistics research experience course	4
		NUpath or elective	4
	0		16

Total Hours: 130

Sample Four Years, Two Co-ops in Summer 2/Fall**Year 1**

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours
INSC 1000	1	LING 2350	4	NUpath or elective	4	Vacation	0
LING 1150	4	LING elective	4	NUpath or elective	4		
ENGW 1111	4	Foreign language course	4				
Foreign language course	4	NUpath or elective	4				
NUpath or elective	4						
	17		16		8		0

Year 2

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours
LING 3412	4	Language in context course	4	NUpath or elective	4	Co-op	0
Linguistic structure course	4	Linguistic structure course	4	NUpath or elective	4		
Language change course	4	Linguistic structure course	4				
NUpath or elective	4	Linguistics elective	4				
		EESC 2000	1				
	16		17		8		0

Year 3

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours
Co-op	0	Linguistic structure course	4	NUpath or elective	4	Co-op	0
		Linguistic structure course	4	NUpath or elective	4		
		Linguistics elective	4				
		ENGW 3315	4				
	0		16		8		0

Year 4

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours
Co-op	0	LING 4654	4	NUpath or elective	4
		LING 4891	4	NUpath or elective	4
		Linguistics elective	4		
		Linguistics elective	4		
	0		16		8

Total Hours: 130