

# LINGUISTICS

Linguistics is the scientific study of language. It investigates the common principles underlying all human languages, as well as the organization of particular languages. It is expected that undergraduates with a major in linguistics will be able to:

- demonstrate a sound knowledge of the fields of phonetics (articulatory and acoustic properties of speech), phonology (the organization of the sound system of languages), morphology (the structure of words), syntax (the structure of sentences), and semantics (the interpretation of structures);
- demonstrate that they are able to analyze data in all these areas of linguistics;
- apply their linguistic training without prejudice, as expected in any science; and
- apply their analytical abilities beyond the study of linguistics.

The linguistics major program can be enriched through linguistics-related courses offered in other departments such as the language departments, the departments of psychology, philosophy, and communicative disorders.

## DEGREES/MAJORS/CERTIFICATES

- Linguistics, B.A. (<http://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/letters-science/linguistics/linguistics-ba>)
- Linguistics, B.S. (<http://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/letters-science/linguistics/linguistics-bs>)

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