

LINGUISTICS 9500Q/95001Q  
GRADUATE RESEARCH SEMINAR

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**Course description**

As part of your training in linguistics, you will develop valuable transferrable skills that can be effectively applied in a wide range of job settings. This course aims to help students identify and strengthen their marketable skills and learn to present themselves effectively to prospective employers both within and outside of academia. These skills include time management, oral communication, grant writing, teaching, leadership, research, project management, editing, interpersonal skills, and an appreciation of ethical and civic responsibility. The course emphasizes peer and participatory learning and includes a series of collaborative and individual exercises that will not only serve to enrich students' skills, but also provide them with concrete experiences to add to their CVs. For 2018, the group project will involve designing and implementing a full day linguistics workshop for the Thames Valley District School Board's (TVDSB) gifted itinerant program.

**Learning outcomes**

By the end of the course you should be able to:

- describe a range of strategies to improve your work efficiency and productivity
- utilize a range of online tools to search for and manage research articles
- write and present for a range of audiences more effectively than you did previously
- effectively and quickly incorporate constructive feedback into your writing and presentations
- provide constructive, specific, actionable feedback to peers
- implement backwards design principles in planning learning experiences for diverse learners
- identify steps you can take to improve your chances on the job market and begin implementing them
- market yourself more effectively to a range of prospective employers both within and outside of academia

**Assessment**

- Grant application with budget: two-page proposal, a budget and a budget justification (Oct. 19)
- readings (Nov. 16)
- Job application package: two job ads, CVs, cover letters (Dec. 7)
- Group project (Gifted itinerant program)

**Tentative schedule**

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September 7	Writing (ng) ET Q q 0.24 0 0 0.24	18 587.76cm BT 50 0 0 7 n 14 725 Tm /TT1 1 T-(UE) Tj
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