

Department of Anthropology

ANTHROPOLOGY 1027B - 650 - Introduction to Linguistics

COURSE OUTLINE

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This asynchronous online course is 12 weeks and runs from January 8 – April 8, 2024 .

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Credit value: 0.5

Antirequisites: Linguistics 2288A/B

Prerequisites: None.

Calendar Course Description

Introduction to basic concepts and methods of modern linguistics. Topics include articulatory and acoustic phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax and semantics. This course is a prerequisite for subsequent linguistics courses in the Department of Anthropology and/or the Linguistics program.

Course Description:

Linguistics is the scientific study of human language: how it works, patterns, structures, processes of change. Linguists study language as a system of thought and communication by examining particular languages and comparing them. In this course, students will learn the basic concepts in the main areas of linguistics: phonetics (sound systems), phonology (sound patterns), morphology (word formation), syntax (sentence structure) and semantics (word and sentence meaning). In addition, we will explore the changes in language. This course trains students to recognize patterns in language and to solve analytical problems using both systematic and creative thinking. Students will be introduced to many different languages as we examine similarities and differences among them .

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Learning Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- x Recognize linguistic patterns within and across languages.
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- x Develop a simulation of a language system modeled on other languages

Final Assignment

The final assignment is a cumulative assignment, where you will be asked to apply all the analytical skills you have learned throughout the course.

