MINOR IN LINGUISTICS

Catalog Description:

The minor in linguistics will introduce students to key concepts that form the basis of modern generative linguistics. Students are introduced to Noam Chomsky’s theory of ‘Universal Grammar’ and the different sub-areas of linguistics in two introductory courses. Two more advanced courses in syntax and in phonology build on this foundation, and one upper level linguistics elective completes the minor. The minor in linguistics will be of relevance to students majoring in languages, English, psychology, philosophy, education and computer science. Students interested in taking this minor program should contact the undergraduate advisor in the Linguistics Department.

Courses required for the minor are:

LING 200 Introduction to Linguistics (3 credits)
LING 240 Language and Mind (3 credits)
LING 321 Phonology I (3 credits)
LING 311 Syntax 1 (3 credits)

In addition, the student should choose any one 300 or 400 level linguistics elective as a fifth course in linguistics.
A total of 15 credits is required. All courses presented for the minor must be passed with a grade of ‘C’ or better.
Students who are considering the minor in linguistics should be aware that LING 321 and LING 311 are currently offered in the fall semester only.

Oversight and Record Keeping:

Oversight of this minor program will be through the normal academic processes of the Linguistics Department. The department’s undergraduate advisor will be responsible for ensuring that students are properly advised and that records are appropriately kept.

Prerequisites:

There are no prerequisites for the minor in Linguistics.