

# LINGUISTICS, BALAS

for the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences Major in Linguistics

**department page: Linguistics** (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/schools/las/academic-units/linguistics>)

**department website: <https://linguistics.illinois.edu>**

**department faculty: Linguistics Faculty** (<https://linguistics.illinois.edu/directory/faculty>)

**overview of college admissions & requirements: Liberal Arts & Sciences** (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/las>)

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**advising: <https://www.linguistics.illinois.edu/students/undergrad/advising.html>**

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**Departmental distinction: Students are strongly encouraged to fulfill the requirements for completing their program with distinction. Candidates for the degree with distinction must register their candidacy with their advisers no later than the end of the second semester of the junior year. They must achieve a grade point average of at least 3.4 for the required 36 hours in linguistics, and register for at least 4 hours of LING 391 - Honors Individual Study, plus submit a senior honors thesis to the Department of Linguistics by the first day of the month preceding the month of graduation.**

**General education: Students must complete the Campus General Education** (<https://courses.illinois.edu/gened/DEFAULT/DEFAULT>) **requirements including the campus general education language requirement.**

**Minimum required major and supporting course work: Normally equates to 50-52 hours.**

**Students must complete 21 hours of coursework at the 300- or 400-level, including at least 12 hours of 300- or 400-level linguistics courses on this campus. These courses may be included in the core courses or electives.**

**Twelve hours of 300- or 400-level courses in the major must be taken on this campus.**

**Minimum hours required for graduation: 120 hours.**

Code	Title	Hours
Major core courses:		18
LING 100	Intro to Language Science	
LING 210	Language History	
LING 301	Elements of Syntax	
LING 302	Elements of Phonology	
LING 307	Elmnts Semantics & Pragmatics	

LING 401	Intro to General Phonetics	
Select one of the following:		3
LING 225	Language, Mind, and Brain	
LING 250	American Voices: Linguistic Diversity in the US	
Major electives: 15 hours of Linguistics courses at the 200- to 400-level, chosen in consultation with the student's advisor		15
Students must fulfill the LAS foreign language requirement, and in addition, complete at least 8 hours in a second foreign language. One of these languages must be a non-Western language chosen from the following list or approved in consultation with the student's advisor: American Sign Language, Arabic, Bamana, Basque, Chinese, Hebrew, Hindi/Urdu, Japanese, Korean, Lingala, Persian, Quechua, Sanskrit, Swahili, Turkish, Wolof, Zulu. Courses used to complete this requirement may also be used to meet the requirement of "Courses in linguistically relevant areas," below.		8-10
Courses in linguistically relevant areas chosen in consultation with the student's advisor. There are two ways of meeting this requirement:		14

A. The courses may come from any of the following disciplines: any foreign language, anthropology, classics, computer science, English, English as an international language, philosophy, psychology, speech and hearing science, communication.

B. Students desiring to specialize in the linguistics of a particular language should complete at least four semesters of instruction in that language beyond the elementary level, and a linguistics course or independent study focusing on the selected language or its language family.