MINOR IN LINGUISTICS

Minor Degree Program in Linguistics

The minor in Linguistics is an interdisciplinary program awarded through the Department of Modern Languages. The minor is designed to guide students through an exact and structured discipline that examines various aspects of the nature of human language. A Linguistics minor may be of particular interest to students majoring in a Foreign Language, as well as majors in such fields as Anthropology, English, Communication, Education, Philosophy, and Sociology. The Linguistics minor is open to all undergraduate students at CU Denver.

Admission and Grade Requirements

To be admitted to minor status in Linguistics, students must have an overall GPA of C+ (2.3). The minimum grade acceptable in any course applied to a Linguistics minor is C (2.0). The average grade in all courses applied to a Linguistics minor at CU Denver must be 2.5. No courses taken on a pass/fail basis may be credited toward a Linguistics minor.

Upon declaring a minor in Linguistics, each student will be assigned to a faculty advisor with whom the student should consult at least once per semester thereafter. It is especially important that students have their transcripts reviewed by their advisor before enrolling in their final 30 credit hours at CU Denver. Failure to do so may result in delay of graduation.

Requirements for the Minor in Linguistics:

Students minoring in Linguistics must complete a minimum of 15 credits of coursework pertaining to the field of Linguistics. A minimum of 9 credit hours must be taken from CU Denver faculty. A minimum of 6 credit hours must be upper division (3000 or above). Courses taken at other institutions may be applied to the minor but only with approval of a Linguistics faculty advisor in the Department of Modern Languages.

Required Courses (6 credits)

LING 2000 – Foundations of Linguistics (fall)
LING 3100 – Language in Society (spring)

Please see the reverse side of this page for elective courses, of which students must take at least 9 credits.
Elective Courses (9 credits minimum):

Choose from the following courses:

ANTH 3121  Language, Culture, and Communication
CLDE 1000  Language, Power & Identity
CLDE 4030  Language Development and Acquisition
CLDE 4820  Teaching Bilingual Learners
ENGL 3160  Language Theory
ENGL 4080  History of the English Language
ENGL 4190  Special Topics (only if the topic addresses Linguistics)
ENGL 4601  Principles & Practices of Second Language Acquisition
ENGL 4651  Second Language Writing
FREN 3010  French Phonetics and Pronunciation
FREN 4600  History of the French Language
GRMN 3050  Phonetics and Pronunciation of the German Language
GRMN 4050  Advanced German Phonetics and Language History
MLNG 4690  Methods of Teaching Modern Languages (or cross-listed equivalent in CHIN, FREN, GRMN, SPAN)
MLNG 4691  Methods of Teaching Modern Languages II
PHIL 2441  Logic, Language and Scientific Reasoning
SPAN 3060  Spanish Phonetics: Theory and Practice
SPAN 3270  Bilingual Communities: Spanish as a Language of Contact
SPAN 4010  History of the Spanish Language
SPAN 4020  Spanish Sociolinguistics
SPAN 4030  The Learning and Teaching of Heritage Speakers
SPAN 4040  Spanish Classroom Methods and Practice
SPAN 4060  Dialects of the Spanish Speaking World
SPAN 4070  Spanish Applied Linguistics & Second Language Acquisition
SPAN 4076  Spanish in Colorado
SPAN 4080  Spanish in the United States
SPAN 4099  Special Topics in Spanish Linguistics

- Any additional courses with a LING prefix may be accepted toward the minor in Linguistics.
- Other courses not listed here may also be considered toward the completion of the Linguistics minor, with evidence of a heavy linguistic emphasis. Please consult with a faculty advisor for approval.