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Linguistics Major Certification Form

Instructions: Use this form to track the courses you complete to fill the major requirements in Linguistics. To apply to graduate, fill out this form and take it to your faculty advisor during office hours for approval during your penultimate semester of study. Your faculty advisor will use this form to submit Part II: Major Requirements of the application to graduate. Once your faculty advisor signs off on the form, you should turn the form into the Undergraduate Coordinator, Jenny Tindall, 203B Morrill Hall, for processing.

Name:

E-mail:

Semester/Year of Graduation:

Linguistic Major Advisor:

Other majors(s) and/or minors(s):

Table with 4 columns: Course Name, Semester, Instructor, Grade. Rows include A. LING 1101- Introduction to Linguistics, B. Foundation Courses (LING 3302, 3303, 3314), C. Additional Courses (1-6), and D. Ancillary Skills Courses (1-2).

Faculty Advisor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# The Linguistics Major

Questions regarding the linguistics major can be addressed to Professor D. Zec, 219 Morrill Hall, [dz17@cornell.edu](mailto:dz17@cornell.edu).

Ten courses (minimum of 37 credit hours) in linguistics and two ancillary skills courses are required to complete the major.

## A. Prerequisites:

- [LING 1101 - Introduction to Linguistics](#)
- plus one of the other Foundation Courses in B
- with a minimum grade of B- in both courses.

## B. Foundation Courses:

Majors must complete all of the following courses.

- [LING 1101 - Introduction to Linguistics](#)
- [LING 3302 - Introduction to Phonetics and Phonology](#)
- [LING 3303 - Introduction to Syntax and Semantics](#)
- [LING 3314 - Introduction to Historical Linguistics](#)

## C. Additional Courses:

Majors must complete six additional linguistics courses (of 3 credits or more) selected in consultation with their advisor with the following conditions:

- at least 2 of these must be at the 3000 level or above
- no more than 1 of these may be at the 1000 level
- no more than 1 of these may be satisfied by four credits of coursework with a CU-UGR designation

Any course with a LING prefix except for First-Year Writing Seminars and language courses counts as a linguistics course. Courses in other departments with a significant linguistic content will be considered by petition.

## D. Ancillary Skills Courses:

In addition, majors must complete two courses (3 credits or more) in one or more of the following areas, selected in consultation with their advisor. This requirement is intended to equip them with practical skills relevant to their particular interests in linguistics. The Ancillary Skills Course requirement may be waived for students who are majoring in more than one field.

- Statistics
- Logic
- Computer programming
- Two semesters of study of a non-European or non-Indo-European language
- Two semesters of study beyond the level required by the Arts College of a language relevant to the student's particular areas of interest
- Language teaching methodology

## E. Additional Information:

Some substitutions to these standard requirements are possible by petition to your advisor and with approval by the director of undergraduate studies. All courses counted for the major must be taken for a letter grade. The minimum grade for courses applied to the linguistics major is C-.