

Linguistics, Ph.D.

Requirements

The Doctor of Philosophy program in linguistics requires a minimum of 72 s.h. of graduate credit, or 73 s.h. for graduates of the M.A. nonthesis program. Students must maintain a cumulative g.p.a. of at least 3.00. The highly selective program provides students with a strong foundation in theoretical linguistics and helps them develop the skills they will need to explore the close relationship between linguistics and related disciplines.

The Ph.D. with a major in linguistics requires the following coursework.

Core Courses

Code	Title	Hours
All of these (18 s.h.):		
	One upper-level syntax course	
	One upper-level phonology course	
	Two or more courses numbered 5000 or above, as approved by advisor	

Specialty Area Courses

An approved specialty area (18 s.h.) also is required. In addition, students whose work is focused on a particular language are strongly encouraged to take courses in or on that language (e.g., French, Spanish, Japanese, Chinese, Korean linguistics), in consultation with their advisor.

Additional Requirements

To pass the comprehensive examination for the Ph.D., a student must gain approval for two papers of publishable quality. One must be in phonology or syntax. The other should be in an area of the student's choosing and must be distinct from the area of the first paper.

An oral defense of the dissertation and three years in residence at the University of Iowa are required. In addition, all candidates are required to gain supervised experience in teaching and research.