



# Modern Languages

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### **ML 5430 Introduction to Linguistics (3 credits)**

This course is an introduction to the study of language and linguistics. In this course, we will analyze the characteristics of language as well as its structure and organization. Besides that, we will study issues of language use including how languages vary, how pidgins and creoles are created, how language is learned, what motivate language users to choose specific vocabulary or language structures, and how language, culture and society are interconnected. Students in this course will acquire tools and knowledge to become conscious language users and to better communicate. This class is conducted in English.

### **ML 5450 Second Language Acquisition (3-4 credits)**

This class will provide a general overview of the main theories of second language acquisition and how they are relevant for second language teaching. We will compare the different models of second language acquisition under the light of linguistic theory. Through the study of language and language acquisition, students will become aware of issues regarding social and cultural diversity, among others, socio-economic factors, ethnic backgrounds, gender, sexual orientation, age, and functional diversity. Students will practice their oral and written communication skills in the three modes: interpersonal (negotiation of meaning among individuals), interpretive (interpretation of the message produced), and presentational (creation of messages). Learning practices include lecture, individual and group projects, class discussions, student led discussions, writing reports and research projects.

### **All-University Courses**

The course numbers listed below, not always included in the semester class schedule, may be registered for by consent of the advisor, instructor, or department chair, or may be assigned by the department when warranted. Individual registration requires previous arrangement by the student and the completion of any required form or planning outline as well as any prerequisites.

1910, 2910, 3910, 4910 DIRECTED INDEPENDENT STUDY  
1920, 2920, 3920, 4920 DIRECTED GROUP STUDY  
1930, 2930, 3930, 4930 EXPERIMENTAL COURSE  
1940, 2940, 3940, 4940 IN-SERVICE COURSE  
1950, 2950, 3950, 4950 WORKSHOP, INSTITUTE, TOUR  
1960, 2960, 3960, 4960 SPECIAL PURPOSE INSTRUCTION  
1970, 2970, 3970, 4970 INTERNSHIP  
1980, 2980, 3980, 4980 RESEARCH  
1990, 2990, 3990, 4990 THESIS