

# LINGUISTICS, M.A.

## Degree Requirements

**Thesis Route:** Students are required to take 18 credit hours of coursework at the graduate level, including Field Methods (LING 7650), Phonology (LING 7550), and Syntax (LING 7630). The remaining courses (9 credit hours) may be taken in either linguistics or related disciplines, subject to approval by the department's graduate committee. In certain cases the graduate committee may require the student to take additional courses. Students are encouraged to complete their coursework by the end of the first year of the program. M.A. candidates must demonstrate proficiency in a second language. In addition to coursework and the language reading requirement, students must complete and successfully defend a thesis.

**Coursework Route:** Students in the course-based route will complete 24 credit hours of coursework, including at least 18 credit hours at the 7000 level or above, with the balance of the coursework at the 3000 level or above. Except in special cases approved by the Committee, programs will include LING 7550, LING 7630, LING 7650, and LING 7680. A student's program may include up to 3 credit hours in a field other than Linguistics, subject to approval by the Departmental Committee.

**Second Language Reading Requirement:** Yes

**Expected Time to Graduate:** 2 years

## Progression Chart

### Thesis program

Course	Title	Hours
<b>Year 1</b>		
GRAD 7300	Research Integrity Tutorial	0
GRAD 7500	Academic Integrity Tutorial	0
LING 7550	Phonology	3
LING 7650	Field Methods	3
LING 7630	Syntax	3
LING 7XXX	Courses in LING 7000	9
<b>Hours</b>		<b>18</b>
<b>Year 2</b>		
GRAD 7000	Master's Thesis	0
<b>Hours</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>18</b>

### Notes:

- Students must demonstrate proficiency in a second language.
- Students must propose, write, and defend an original thesis.

### coursework program

Course	Title	Hours
<b>Years 1-2</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
GRAD 7300	Research Integrity Tutorial	0
GRAD 7500	Academic Integrity Tutorial	0
LING 7550	Phonology	3
LING 7630	Syntax	3
LING 7650	Field Methods	3

LING 7680	Sociolinguistics	3
LING XXXX	Courses designated LING 3000/4000/7000 or above	12
<b>Hours</b>		<b>24</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>24</b>

### Notes:

- Students must demonstrate proficiency in a second language
- Students in the course-based route demonstrate mastery of their field by meeting the expected standard of performance in their coursework (see section 2.4). There are no comprehensive exams.