



Linguistics is the scientific study of language—an important part of what makes us human.

Have you ever wondered why language learning is so easy for infants, why it's much harder for adults, or how automatic translation and voice recognition work? To answer these questions, linguists study the formal properties of language, how it evolves, and how it is used in social situations.

Simon Fraser University has one of the largest and most diverse linguistics programs in Canada, including BA major/minor programs, graduate degrees, and certificate programs in Speech Science and Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL).

We offer courses focused on:

- Language learning and teaching
- Computational linguistics
- Neurolinguistics
- Sociolinguistics
- Speech science
- Historical linguistics
- First Nations languages

### WHAT CAN YOU DO WITH A LINGUISTICS DEGREE?

The study of linguistics prepares you for a variety of different careers:

- Speech Language Pathologist
- Computational Linguist
- Audiologist
- Research Analyst
- Communication Specialist
- Translator/Interpreter
- Forensic Linguist
- Immigration Officer
- ESL/Foreign Language Instructor

# LINGUISTICS MAJOR CHECKLIST

In order to declare a Linguistics major, students must complete LING 220 with a passing grade and have a CGPA of at least 2.25. For the full BA requirements, please consult the Academic Advisor or refer to the Academic Calendar:

[www.sfu.ca/students/calendar/areas-of-study/linguistics](http://www.sfu.ca/students/calendar/areas-of-study/linguistics)

Lower Division - LD

Upper Division - UD

Indigenous Languages - INLG

## EXTENDED MINOR CHECKLIST

- ☐ **LING 220 (3)**
- ☐ **LING 282W/Q (3)**
- ☐ 9 units in LD 100/200 level  
LING and/or INLG courses
- ☐ 15 units in UD 300/400 level  
LING and/or INLG courses

### Students must complete:

LOWER DIVISION  
[15 UNITS]

☐ **LING 220 (3)**

Intro to Linguistics

☐ **LING 282W/Q (3)**

Writing for Linguistics

Pre-req: LING 220

Plus 9 units in LD 100/200 level LING and/or INLG courses

☐ **LING 100/200 (3)**

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Pick ONE of the following UD writing courses:

☐ **LING 301W (3)**

Linguistic Argumentation

Pre-req: LING 282W; OR  
LING 222 and any LD writing  
course \*

☐ **LING 309W (3)**

Sociolinguistics

Pre-req: LING 282W

☐ **LING 482W (3)**

Topics in Linguistics III

Pre-req varies according to  
topic offered

☐ **LING 321 (3)**

Phonology

Pre-req: LING 282W; OR LING 221  
and any LD writing course \*

☐ **LING 322 (3)**

Syntax

Pre-req: LING 282W; OR LING 222  
and any LD writing course \*

UPPER DIVISION  
[30 UNITS]

Pick TWO of the following courses:

☐ **LING 323 (3)**

Morphology

Pre-req: LING 301 or  
LING 309 or LING 482

☐ **LING 324Q (3)**

Semantics

Pre-req: LING 282W; OR  
LING 222 and any LD  
writing course \*

☐ **LING 330 (3)**

Phonetics

Pre-req: LING 282W; OR LING  
221 and any LD writing course \*

Plus 15 units in UD 300/400 level LING and/or INLG courses

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\* LING 221 and 222 were only offered prior to Fall 2018

For the full list of LING courses, see [www.sfu.ca/students/calendar/courses/ling](http://www.sfu.ca/students/calendar/courses/ling)