Department of Linguistics

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Overview
Language is a system of communication with an extraordinarily intricate structure. The scientific study of the mental representations and biological basis of language involves many questions, including what the nature of this system is, how humans master it so early in their cognitive development, how humans use it to communicate, and how it is implemented in human biology.

The Department offers an undergraduate minor and undergraduate courses.

Minor in Linguistics
Linguistics Minor Requirements
Requirements for the minor in Linguistics are met by taking seven linguistics courses (28 units) as specified below:

A. Complete the following:
- LINGUIS 3 Introduction to Linguistics
- LINGUIS 10 Introduction to Phonology
- LINGUIS 20 Introduction to Syntax

B. Four additional linguistics courses, three of which must be upper-division.

Residence Requirement: At least three upper-division courses required for the minor must be completed successfully at UCI.

Faculty
Alyssa Brewer, Ph.D. Stanford University, Associate Professor of Cognitive Sciences; Linguistics (neuroimaging of visual perception, visual deficits, neurological disorders)

Gregory S. Hickok, Ph.D. Brandeis University, Professor of Cognitive Sciences; Linguistics (neuroanatomy of language, neural plasticity, neuroimaging, cognitive neuroscience)

Kent E. Johnson, Ph.D. Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Associate Professor of Logic and Philosophy of Science; Linguistics

Glenn S. Levine, Ph.D. University of Texas at Austin, German Language Program Director and Professor of German; Education; Linguistics (applied linguistics, foreign language pedagogy, German-Jewish culture and history, Yiddish language and culture, European culinary history)

Virginia Mann, Ph.D. Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Professor of Linguistics; Education (reading ability: phonemic awareness, developmental dyslexia, phonological skills, early intervention, precocious readers; speech perception: context effects, cross-linguistic comparisons)

John Middlebrooks, Ph.D. University of California, San Francisco, Professor of Otolaryngology; Biomedical Engineering; Cognitive Sciences; Linguistics; Neurobiology and Behavior (hearing research, neurophysiology, psychophysics, auditory prosthesis, computational neuroscience)

Keith Murphy, Ph.D. University of California, Los Angeles, Associate Professor of Anthropology; Linguistics

Lisa Pearl, Ph.D. University of Maryland, College Park, Associate Professor of Cognitive Sciences; Linguistics; Logic and Philosophy of Science (linguistics, computational linguistics, language development, language change, Bayesian models)

Armin Schwegler, Ph.D. University of California, Berkeley, Professor of Spanish and Portuguese; Linguistics

Julio R. Torres, Ph.D. Georgetown University, Assistant Professor of Spanish and Portuguese; Linguistics (heritage languages, second language acquisition)

Bernard H. Tranel, Ph.D. University of California, San Diego, Professor of Linguistics

Sean P. Walsh, Ph.D. University of Notre Dame, Associate Professor of Logic and Philosophy of Science; Linguistics; Mathematics (philosophy of mathematics, philosophy of logic and mathematical logic)

Kai Wehmeier, Ph.D. University of Münster, Director, Center for the Advancement of Logic, its Philosophy, History, and Applications and Professor of Logic and Philosophy of Science; Linguistics; Philosophy