

# LINGUISTICS (PH.D.)

**Offered by:** Linguistics (Faculty of Arts)

**Degree:** Doctor of Philosophy

## Program Description

The Ph.D. in Linguistics provides training in the fundamentals of theoretical and experimental linguistics. The program culminates in the preparation of a thesis, which is written under the direction of a supervisory committee, and which is expected to constitute original scholarship and be a distinct contribution to knowledge.

**Note:** For information about Fall 2025 and Winter 2026 course offerings, please check back on May 8, 2025. Until then, the "Terms offered" field will appear blank for most courses while the class schedule is being finalized.

## Thesis

A thesis for the doctoral degree must constitute original scholarship and must be a distinct contribution to knowledge. It must show familiarity with previous work in the field and must demonstrate ability to plan and carry out research, organize results, and defend the approach and conclusions in a scholarly manner. The research presented must meet current standards of the discipline; as well, the thesis must clearly demonstrate how the research advances knowledge in the field. Finally, the thesis must be written in compliance with norms for academic and scholarly expression and for publication in the public domain.

## Required Courses (6 credits)

Note: LING 706 Ph.D. Evaluation 1. and LING 707 Ph.D. Evaluation 2. must be completed before proceeding to thesis research.

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Course	Title	Credits
LING 601	Graduate Research Seminar 1.	3
LING 602	Graduate Research Seminar 2.	3
LING 706	Ph.D. Evaluation 1.	0
LING 707	Ph.D. Evaluation 2.	0

## Complementary Courses (30 credits)

9-12 credits from the following:

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Course	Title	Credits
LING 630	Phonetics 3.	3
LING 631	Phonology 3.	3
LING 660	Semantics 3.	3
LING 671	Syntax 3.	3

18-21 credits to be chosen from among 500-level or above departmental course offerings in consultation with the supervisor(s) and the graduate program director. Courses in other departments may be approved by the graduate program director.