The Minor in Linguistics provides training in the scientific study of language for students whose professional competence would be enhanced by a more thorough knowledge of linguistics than is provided by their majors. Linguistics study the origins of language, the meaning and history of words, what language tells us about the workings of the human mind, and the practical aspects of language, including intercultural and interpersonal communication, language learning and teaching and language as a conveyor of information in profound human arenas such as medicine and law.

REQUIREMENTS:

CORE COURSES

Ling 101 INTRODUCTION TO LINGUISTICS 3 units
Ling 111 INTRODUCTION TO PHONETICS 3 units
Ling 112 INTRODUCTION TO SYNTAX 3 units

ELECTIVES

Students may choose from other linguistics courses, such as Ling 113, 114, 124, 125, 161, 162, 165, 166, and LLD 107, 108, 122 (GE), 123 (GE), 129 (GE), or from selected upper division courses in Anthropology, Communicative Disorders, Communication Studies, Computer Science, English, Foreign Languages, Philosophy, or Psychology, subject to the approval of a Linguistics Advisor. One elective and one of the required courses may be transferred from another department or school.

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT

One year of college level foreign language study, or equivalent.

Note: Students planning to enter the M.A. program in Linguistics at SJSU are urged to consult with a Linguistics advisor before choosing electives or deciding how to meet the language requirement.

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