

Linguistics

Linguistics is the study of the structure of human language. Students examine the forms and properties of phrases, sentences, sounds, and meanings. The social, cultural, cognitive, and historical facets of human language can also be explored. Students have the opportunity to study aspects of a vast assortment of familiar and unfamiliar languages, both in their own right and in comparison to the structure of English.

Linguistics is versatile and helps develop skills useful anywhere. Modern work in linguistics has had a profound impact on many fields where language is central: psychology, cognitive science, computer science, philosophy, the study of individual languages, literary theory, and anthropology. Graduates may go on to study linguistics in graduate school, or, because of their training in research, critical thinking, and writing, are also prepared for law school and other professional schools.

A Sample of Related Occupations:

Advertising Account Exec	Public Administrator	Human Resources Spec
Publicity Assistant	Attorney	Insurance Underwriter
Journalist	Researcher/Writer	Campaign Manager
Legislative Assistant	Lobbyist	Special Events Coordinator
Community Relations Director	Speech Pathologist	Copy Writer
Speech Writer	Corporate Trainer	Market Research Analyst
Public Relations Specialist	Editor	Teacher

Types of Employers:

Theaters	Foundations	Museums	Insurance Companies
Hospitality Organizations	Healthcare Facilities	Community Service Organizations	Book/Magazine Publishers
Public Relations Firms	Consumer Organizations	Advertising Agencies	Newspapers/Magazines
Research Organizations	Educational Institutions	Retail Stores	Community Arts Centers
Market Research Companies	Political Organizations	Media (Radio, TV) Telecommunications Firms	