Welcome to Linguistics!

Major Overview:

Linguistics is an interdisciplinary practice that seeks to analyze communicative behaviors using science and cultural information.

As a linguistics major you are required to learn two additional languages, and complete a minimum of three higher-level electives. A major in linguistics will give you a foundation in linguistic theory and method and is able to be individualized according to your interests.

Courses:

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**LING 114**: Explores some of the ways in which language, communicative behavior and culture are intertwined. This course examines the complexity of everyday communicative behavior. In addition, this course may also examine the relationships between communicative behavior and social identities, e.g. the connections between language and gender or social hierarchy.

**LING 118**: Introduces linguistics as the analytic study of language. The four areas of focus are the study of speech sounds and speech sound patterns, word structure and formation, sentence formation and organization, and linguistic meaning. Provides students with theory and practice in linguistic analysis.

Post-Graduation:

A BA in linguistics gives you a variety of competitive skills: an intermediate understanding of multiple language and a basic understanding of qualitative and quantitative analysis. Class work emphasizes oral presentation and communication skills, as well as a strong foundation in logic analysis and understanding arguments.

The applications of this knowledge prepare students for law school, teaching English abroad, translation careers, or graduate school in a variety of fields. Additionally, this is also a foundation for students wishing to work in audiology, deaf education or speech/language pathology.
Additional Resources:

This is an interdisciplinary program. Get to know your future professors and their interests by clicking, faculty. [http://www.binghamton.edu/linguistics/faculty.html]

For major courses, requirements and possible career paths visit, program requirements. [http://www.binghamton.edu/linguistics/index.html]

For career development, explore the Fleishman Career and Professional Development Center. [http://www.binghamton.edu/ccpd/students/undergraduate/internships-and-other-ways-to-gain-experience/internship-links.html]

Learn about the Speech and Language Association. [https://bengaged.binghamton.edu/organization/BSAL]

There are also a myriad of student groups devoted to language and culture. Check out a full list by clicking student groups. [http://binghamtonsa.org/executive-vp/current-student-groups/]

Research Areas:

Internship possibilities could include legal and/or psychology, working with children or working abroad. For more information click the links below:

Legal internships
[http://www.binghamton.edu/ccpd/students/undergraduate/internships-and-other-ways-to-gain-experience/internship-links.html#law]

Psychology internships
[http://www.binghamton.edu/ccpd/students/undergraduate/international-opportunities/index.html]

Thank you!

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