

LINGUISTICS, PHD

REQUIREMENTS

MINIMUM GRADUATE SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

Review the Graduate School minimum degree requirements (<https://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#requirements>) and policies (<https://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#policies>), in addition to the program requirements listed below.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS MODE OF INSTRUCTION

Face to Face	Evening/ Weekend	Online	Hybrid	Accelerated
Yes	No	No	No	No

Mode of Instruction Definitions

Accelerated: Accelerated programs are offered at a fast pace that condenses the time to completion. Students typically take enough credits aimed at completing the program in a year or two.

Evening/Weekend: Courses meet on the UW-Madison campus only in evenings and/or on weekends to accommodate typical business schedules. Students have the advantages of face-to-face courses with the flexibility to keep work and other life commitments.

Face-to-Face: Courses typically meet during weekdays on the UW-Madison Campus.

Hybrid: These programs combine face-to-face and online learning formats. Contact the program for more specific information.

Online: These programs are offered 100% online. Some programs may require an on-campus orientation or residency experience, but the courses will be facilitated in an online format.

CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

Requirement Detail	
Minimum Credit Requirement	54 credits
Minimum Residence Credit Requirement	32 credits
Minimum Graduate Coursework Requirement	42 credits must be graduate-level coursework. Refer to the Graduate School: Minimum Graduate Coursework Requirement policy: https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244/).
Overall Graduate GPA Requirement	3.00 GPA required. Refer to the Graduate School: Grade Point Average (GPA) Requirement policy: https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203/).
Other Grade Requirements	Students must maintain a GPA of 3.67 in required Linguistics courses after the third semester.

Assessments and Examinations	Submit and defend on two prelim papers. One by the end of the fourth semester and the other by the end of the eighth semester. Contact the program for further details.
Language Requirements	Knowledge of three languages is required: • English • a non-Indo-European language or a modern Indic language • Third language determined in consultation with the advisor according to the student's research goals.

Students must complete their language requirements before their second prelim exam. The language requirements can be satisfied in multiple ways and the program should be contacted directly for further details.

Graduate School Breadth Requirements	All doctoral students are required to complete a doctoral minor or graduate/professional certificate. Refer to the Graduate School: Breadth Requirement in Doctoral Training policy: https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1200 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1200/).
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A 12-credit or more minor or graduate/professional certificate that is approved by the student's advisor is required.

REQUIRED COURSES

Code	Title	Credits
LINGUIS 310	Phonology	3
LINGUIS 322	Morphology	3
LINGUIS 330	Syntax	3
LINGUIS 340	Semantics	3
LINGUIS 510	Phonological Theories	3
LINGUIS 522	Advanced Morphology	3
LINGUIS 530	Syntactic Theories	3
LINGUIS 800	Research Methods and Materials	3

Seminars

Take 3 seminars (must be 3 credits each) from the following (may repeat the same course number for credit):	9
LINGUIS 977	Seminar

Thesis

Take at least 3 semesters of Thesis (must be 3 credits each) as a dissertator:	9
LINGUIS 990	Thesis

Breadth	12
Total Credits	54