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## Linguistics (LNGN)

Montclair State University

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LITM493	Prerequisites Special Fee Number and type of credits Course Description	201; Business Administration major. Special fee. 3 hours lecture. An examination of topics not covered in existing leisure and tourism classes. Course topics will vary to reflect current issues and student interest.
LNGN110	Title Number and type of credits Course Description	Language of Food. 3 hours lecture. This course explores the intersection of language and food (or speaking and eating) by investigating what we can learn about language by studying "the language of food." The course introduces fundamental aspects of language and linguistics through an exploration of topics related to food: food terms, food metaphors, the language and structure of menus and recipes, the language of wine, the language of food advertising and labeling, and language practices related to food and eating (e.g., saying grace, making toasts, sharing recipes, etc.). The course examines how people talk about food, how people use food to talk about themselves and about others, and how "food talk" conveys a range of social and cultural meanings. Cognitive aspects of the language of food and taste as well as cross-linguistic similarities and differences will be considered. Meets Gen Ed 2002 - Social Science.
LNGN210	Title Number and type of credits Course Description	Introduction to General Linguistics. 3 hours lecture. The nature and structure of language; the basic techniques for analyzing linguistic structures; phonological, morphological, syntactic and semantic structure of languages, language and dialects; language change; the comparative method in linguistics; human and animal communication; differences between first and second language learning. Meets Gen Ed 2002 - Social Science, Social Science.
LNGN220	Title Number and type of credits Course Description	Structure of American English. 3 hours lecture. The phonology, morphology, syntax of American English, geographical and social dialects; traditional, structural and transformational approaches to grammar.
LNGN230	Title Number and type of credits	Language in Society. 3 hours lecture.

	Course Description	Correlations between language varieties, their functions in particular settings, and the characteristics of their speakers. Black English. The role of second languages within a society: Pidgin, Creole, Lingua Franca, Diglossia, etc. Meets Gen Ed 2002 - Social Science, Social Science.
LNGN240	Title	Languages of the World.
	Number and type of credits	3 hours lecture.
	Course Description	A survey of the languages of the world from the dual perspectives of their genealogical classification and their typological (or structural) characteristics. It is intended for both majors and non-majors, and presupposes no previous linguistic training.
LNGN245	Title	Language and Culture.
	Number and type of credits	3 hours lecture.
	Course Description	A study of language in its cultural context. Relationship of linguistic to non-linguistic variables: ethnosemantics, linguistic relativity principle, componential analysis. Meets Gen Ed 2002 - Social Science, Social Science.
LNGN250	Title	Language of Propaganda.
	Number and type of credits	3 hours lecture.
	Course Description	This course is a multidisciplinary approach to the study of the use of language to manipulate and influence opinions via advertising, innuendo, jargon, emotive language, etc. Meets Gen Ed 2002 - Social Science, Social Science.
LNGN255	Title	Language and Gender.
LNGN255	Number and type of credits	3 hours lecture.
	Course Description	A sociolinguistic study of the interaction of language with sex and gender. Course includes a survey of the literature on language and gender plus practical experience in collecting and analyzing linguistic data. Meets Gen Ed 2002 - Social Science, Social Science. Meets World Cultures Requirement.
LNGN260	Title	Dialectology.
	Number and type of credits	3 hours lecture.
	Course Description	Principles of dialect study; application to American dialects. The origin and development of American dialects in historical, literary, regional, social and urban perspectives.

LNGN270	Title Number and type of credits Course Description	History of Linguistics. 3 hours lecture. Linguistics from the ancient Sanskrit grammarians to the present. Present-day 'schools': Structuralism, glossematics, Prague school, London school, tagmemics, stratificational grammar, transformational grammar.
LNGN280	Title Number and type of credits Course Description	Bilingualism. 3 hours lecture. Compound and coordinate bilingualism; attitudes, motivation, etc.; functions of languages in multilingual settings; problems of newly-independent, multilingual nations in establishing national and standardized languages; analysis of bilingual speech; problems of educating minority groups in this country whose native language is not English.
LNGN284	Title Number and type of credits Course Description	History of the English Language. 3 hours lecture. English from its Indo-European origins up to and including the eighteenth-century grammarians. The Germanic strains; old, middle and modern English.
LNGN288	Title Prerequisites Number and type of credits Course Description	Introduction to Cognitive Science. ANTH 100 or CSIT 111 or LNGN 210 or PHIL 100 or PSYC 101. 3 hours lecture. An introduction to the multidisciplinary field of cognitive science. Topics include: the mind-body problem, thought as computation and the computer model of the mind, the role of representation in mental activity. Emphasis will be upon the methodological approaches found in artificial intelligence, cognitive psychology, cognitive anthropology, cognitive neuroscience, linguistics, and philosophy. Cross listed with Computer Science CMPT 288, Philosophy and Religion PHIL 288, and Psychology PSYC 288.
LNGN290	Title Number and type of credits Course Description	Language of the Law. 3 hours lecture. The course explores the interface between language and our legal system. Students study the legal language up to the present day. Topics to be covered include, among others, the impact of (il)literacy on the law, the linguistic ramifications of governing bilingual societies, the functions of written laws and legal language, and the social psychological impact of language use in

LNGN300	Title	modern-day litigation. Cross listed with Political Science and Law, LAWS290.
	Prerequisites	Syntax.
	Number and type of credits	LNGN 210 or departmental approval.
	Course Description	3 hours lecture. The study of sentence structure and the theories designed to describe it. Emphasis on structural grammar, the development of Generative Grammar and contemporary theoretical methods for describing sentence structure. Data will be taken from a number of different languages. Meets the University Writing Requirement for majors in Linguistics.
LNGN301	Title	Semantics.
	Prerequisites	LNGN 300.
LNGN301	Number and type of credits	3 hours lecture.
	Course Description	The systematic and objective study of meaning in language. Topics include: referential meaning, semantic fields, componential analysis, synonymy, polysemy, hyponymy, and sequential meaning. Data will be taken from a number of different languages.
LNGN302	Title	Pragmatics.
	Prerequisites	LNGN 300.
	Number and type of credits	3 hours lecture.
	Course Description	The study of pragmatics, an area of linguistics that examines language as situated speech and studies how context affects the interpretation of meaning.
LNGN304	Title	Principles of Discourse Analysis.
	Prerequisites	LNGN 210.
	Number and type of credits	3 hours lecture.
	Course Description	This course introduces students to discourse analysis, the subfield of linguistics that analyzes naturally occurring connected speech and written texts and describes the nature of socially-situated language. Central issues in the study of discourse will be examined, including the relationship between linguistic form and function, the relationship between text and context, and the question of "textuality," that is, how a randomly ordered set of sentences is distinguished from a coherent text. Various approaches to discourse will be discussed including speech act theory, interactional sociolinguistics,

		conversation analysis, and critical discourse analysis.
LNGN310	Title	Morphology.
	Prerequisites	LNGN 210.
	Number and type of credits	3 hours lecture.
	Course Description	Morphology is the study of the structure of words. Students will learn to analyze words by working with data from many languages, and they will study the kinds of morphological systems that exist in the languages of the world.
LNGN325	Title	Principles of Second Language Learning.
	Prerequisites	LNGN 210. Open to Linguistics majors or admission into Teacher Education program.
	Number and type of credits	3 hours lecture.
	Course Description	Theories of second language acquisition; error analysis; individual learner differences; the roles of input, interaction, and formal instruction in language acquisition.
LNGN331	Title	Phonetics.
	Prerequisites	LNGN 210 or departmental approval (for Cognitive Science majors).
	Special Fee	Special fee.
	Number and type of credits	3 hours lecture.
	Course Description	A comprehensive introduction to phonetics, the study of the production of speech sounds and their acoustic characteristics. Students will learn to identify, classify, and transcribe sounds from a variety of languages. While intended primarily for Linguistics majors, this course will also be of interest to prospective language teachers and to majors in Speech, in Psychology, and in Communication Sciences and Disorders.
LNGN332	Title	Phonology.
	Prerequisites	LNGN 331 or departmental approval.
	Number and type of credits	3 hours lecture.
	Course Description	Phonology studies how languages make use of a particular subset of all the possible speech sounds in a systematic way to produce meaningful units like words and sentences. The objectives of this course will be to give students experience in analyzing phonological data from a wide variety of languages and to survey current theories of phonology.
LNGN350	Title	Linguistics of American Sign Language and Other Signed Languages.
	Prerequisites	LNGN 210.

LNGN350	Number and type of credits Course Description	3 hours lecture. This course takes a linguistic approach to signed languages and examines how linguistic analysis from phonetics and phonology to syntax and semantics applies to signed languages. The course also addresses acquisition, psycholinguistic, and sociolinguistic aspects of sign languages. Focus is on American Sign Language, the sign language of the Deaf in the United States, but other signed languages are also studied. Knowledge of American Sign Language is not required.
LNGN351	Title Prerequisites Number and type of credits Course Description	Gesture, Sign, and Speech: The Multi-Modality of Communication. LNGN 210. 3 hours lecture. Humans communicate using language, but they also communicate using gesture. This course examines these spontaneous movements of the hands and body and how they contribute to human communication. Topics include form-meaning patterns in gesture (e.g., pointing vs. iconic gestures), how gesture helps in language learning, and the role of gesture in thinking. Students will learn about gestural communication that accompanies both signed and spoken languages and how gesture is different from signed languages.
LNGN370	Title Prerequisites Number and type of credits Course Description	Comparative and Historical Linguistics. LNGN 210 or LNGN 284. 3 hours lecture. Similarities and differences among languages and language families at one point in time and as these develop in time; reconstructing the common ancestor of related languages and determining general laws of linguistic change.
LNGN384	Title Prerequisites Number and type of credits Course Description	The Grammars of English. ENWR 220 or ENGL 201 or ENGL 260 or ENGL 262 or ENGL 263 or LNGN 220. 3 hours lecture. A critical overview of traditional, structural, and transformational-generative approaches to the problems of analyzing the grammar of the English language; practical applications for teaching English and for understanding grammatical principles as a means of more effective writing and literary analysis. Cross listed with English, ENGL 384.

LNGN403	Title Prerequisites Number and type of credits Course Description	Methods and Material of TESL. LNGN 325. 3 hours lecture. The theory and practice of ESL instruction covering the major methodologies, planning lessons, testing language skills, selecting and developing materials and related topics.
LNGN405	Title Prerequisites Course Description	Field Experience in Teaching English as a Second Language. LNGN 325. Opportunity to teach English as a second language will be arranged for each student in the program.
LNGN420	Title Prerequisites Number and type of credits Course Description	Language and the Mind. LNGN 210 or PSYC 288 or LNGN 288 or PHIL 288 or CMPT 288. 3 hours lecture. An introduction to the major theoretical and methodological principles of Noam Chomsky's theory of Universal Grammar and what they tell us about structure of the human mind.
LNGN430	Title Prerequisites Course Description	Field Methods. LNGN 210 or departmental approval. Collecting linguistic data from an informant; human factors in field work; qualifications of the informant; elicitation techniques.
LNGN445	Title Prerequisites Special Fee	Natural Language Processing. LNGN 210 or departmental approval. Special fee.
LNGN445	Number and type of credits Course Description	3 hours lecture. This course introduces students to the field of Natural Language Processing, that is, of the applications of computer technology to linguistics. The major topics will include language generation, syntactic parsing, and the analysis and synthesis of speech. Students will learn to write programs in PROLOG, one of the most widely used computer languages in language and artificial intelligence applications.
LNGN450	Title Prerequisites	Selected Topics in Linguistics. LNGN 210 or departmental approval.



	Number and type of credits	3 hours lecture.
	Course Description	Study of special problems and topics in linguistics. Topics announced each semester. May be repeated once for a maximum of 6.0 credits as long as the topic is different.
LNGN451	Title	Selected Topics in Linguistics.
	Prerequisites	LNGN 210 or departmental approval.
	Number and type of credits	3 hours lecture.
	Course Description	Study of special problems and topics in linguistics. Topics announced each semester. May be repeated once for a maximum of 6.0 credits as long as the topic is different.
LNGN460	Title	Topics in the Structure of a Selected Language.
	Prerequisites	Departmental approval.
	Number and type of credits	3 hours lecture.
	Course Description	An exploration of a single topic or a small set of topics related to a specific language. Selections of the topic(s) and language will depend on the interests of the students and the instructor, and on the availability of relevant material. The topics will be of general relevance to linguistics, and might relate to phonological, morphological, syntactic, semantic, sociolinguistic, historical, or other issues. May be repeated once for a maximum of 6.0 credits as long as the topic is different.
LNGN478	Title	Independent Study.
	Prerequisites	Departmental approval.
	Course Description	This course is designed (1) to allow students to explore areas of linguistics that are not covered in the normal course offerings of the department; (2) to permit an in-depth analysis of a given subject beyond the scope of a regular semester course; or (3) to provide advanced students with the possibility of research in areas of linguistics that are of special interest to them. May be repeated once for a maximum of 6.0 credits.
LNGN479	Title	Independent Study.
	Prerequisites	Departmental approval.
	Course Description	This course is designed (1) to allow students to explore areas of linguistics that are not covered in the normal course offerings of the department; (2) to permit an in-depth analysis of a given subject beyond the scope of a regular semester course; or (3) to provide advanced students with the possibility of

LNGN488	Title Prerequisites Number and type of credits Course Description	research in areas of linguistics that are of special interest to them. May be repeated once for a maximum of 6.0 credits. Seminar in Cognitive Science. LNGN 300 or CMPT 288 or LNGN 288 or PHIL 288 or PSYC 288. 3 hours seminar. Seminar discussion of foundation works and contemporary research articles in Cognitive Science. With the instructor's guidance and supervision, each student will define an area of Cognitive Science for comprehensive in-depth review of research and write a literature review. Professional issues in Cognitive Science are discussed. Cross listed with Psychology PSYC 488.
MATH051	Title Prerequisites	Basic Skills MATH II: Algebra. Juniors and seniors should contact the Center for Academic Development and
MATH051	Prerequisites Number and type of credits Course Description	Assessment. 3 hours lecture. Basic elementary algebra course, includes fundamental algebraic processes, linear and quadratic equations, graphing and applications. Credits not usable toward graduation. Meets Basic Skills Requirement. This course is offered as Pass/No Credit only.
MATH061	Title Prerequisites Special Fee Number and type of credits Course Description	Basic Skills Mathematics Laboratory: Algebra. Juniors and seniors should contact the Center for Academic Development and Assessment. Special fee. 3 hours lab. Review of elementary algebra, including fundamental algebraic processes, linear and quadratic equations, graphing, word problems and applications. Credit not usable toward graduation. Computer assisted including lecture, individual and small group tutoring in Mathematics Computer Laboratory. This course is offered as Pass/No Credit only. Meets Basic Skills Requirement.
MATH071	Title Prerequisites Number and type of credits Course Description	Basic Skills Mathematics-Precollege Algebra. Score of 70 or less on the Accuplacer Placement Test. 1 hour lecture, 2.5 hours lab. Review of elementary algebra, including fundamental algebraic processes,