

As a linguistics major, there are a wide variety of host institutions to choose from in Britain, Ireland, South Africa and Botswana. However, studying linguistics in a different country allows you to learn familiar topics from a completely new perspective, including topics that are not covered by all US institutions. While a variety of traditional linguistics courses are offered, here are some highlights unique to your host country's perspective. If you would like to see the full range of linguistics offerings contact Interstudy for more information at 800.663.1999.

## BRITAIN

### King's College, University of London

5SSEL014 Analyzing Spoken Discourse

Talk is a complex area of human behaviour, in terms of both how it is conducted, and how we express and interpret meaning. The roles of such factors as context, status, purpose and gender are examined, and you will learn how to transcribe talk and use analysis in evaluating social encounters.

Other Courses Offered: 6SSEL018 Contemporary Issues in Language Teaching, 6SSEL025 Literacies in Theory and Practice, 5SSEL011 Multilingualism and Languages in Context, and 5AANB011 Philosophy of Logic and Language

### Queen Mary, University of London

LIN503 Aspects of Meaning

When you say a sentence, that sentence somehow evokes a new thought in the mind of the person you are talking to. This is because words of human languages have meanings, and the ways that those words combine also has an effect on meaning. This module looks at all the different aspects of meaning that contribute to the process of understanding, and explores a number of different ways that linguists have tried to theorise about meaning.

Other Courses Offered: LIN304 Bilingualism, LIN042 English and Linguistics Research Project, LIN102 English In Use, LIN006 Ethnography of Communication A-Foundations

### University of Westminster

1LIN607 First Language Acquisition

This module examines in some depth the acquisition of core aspects of language in early child language acquisition. It looks in particular at the acquisition of sounds, words, and meanings and grammar. It also discusses the creation of new languages (pidgins and creoles) by adults and children in language contact situations.

Other Courses Offered: 1LIN407 Language and Society, 1LIN515 Phonetics, 1LIN508 Syntax Theory, and 1LIN617 Psycholinguistics

### University College London

PLIN1601 Introduction to Children's Language Development

After introducing language acquisition as a theoretical issue, the course will concentrate on empirical evidence of the nature and effects of input to children, and the nature of children's language production and comprehension at different stages, including discussion of the processes by which language is acquired.

Other Courses Offered: PLIN2105 - Practical Phonetics, PLIN7305 - Sociolinguistics, PLIN2004 - Pragmatics and Cognition, PLIN7309 - Linguistics of Sign Language, PLIN1201 - Introduction to Generative Grammar

### University of St Andrews

LI5006 Translation Studies and Methodologies

This module provides an overview of recent approaches to translation, both linguistic and cultural, and provides a methodological foundation for the comparative study of translation practice in a range of genres and registers. Particular attention will be paid to the creative insights achieved by the Thinking Translation approach, and by the use of bilingual corpora to compare language structures and their use in translations.

Other Courses Offered: LI1001 Foundations of Language 1, L5001 General Linguistics, LI5004 The Method of Lexical Exceptions, and LI5007 Sociolinguistic Methodologies

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## IRELAND

### University College Dublin

FR20080 Introduction to Second Language Acquisition

This module presents the fundamental concepts of second language acquisition research, including cross-linguistic influence, developmental stages in second language acquisition, individual differences in second language learners, attitude and motivation, personality, aptitude, intelligence, cognitive style and age; the social context in second language acquisition; variation in interlanguage; "Accommodation Theory"; input and interaction; effects of instruction on second language acquisition.

Other Courses Offered: FR30160 Sociolinguistics, FR40010 Literary Translation, GER40030 Literary Autobiography, and GER40040 Translation Theory

### Trinity College Dublin

LI1006 The Applied Linguistics of English Language Teaching

This course is concerned with communicative approaches to language learning and teaching; English for Specific Purposes; theory and practice of learner needs analysis; different types of language teaching syllabuses; syllabus design; theoretical underpinnings of learner-centredness and learner autonomy; the use of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages and the European Language Portfolio in foreign language pedagogy.

Other Courses Offered: LI233A Language Learning, LI237A Aspects of Written Language, LI231A Aspects of Vocabulary, and LI234A Sociolinguistics

### University of Limerick

LI4005 Language and Cultural Awareness

In this module, a range of key issues and concepts are explored. These include considering how languages are related and how they may influence one another as a result of historical, political and social contexts. The module explores concepts of grammar (word order, case, gender, tense, etc) central to language learning and provides a range of strategies to help students successfully learn the language of their choice. It also explores how we understand culture(s) and considers the impact of cultural expectations on the success of intercultural communication. Finally, it looks at examples of how language is constantly changing, shaped not least by developments in new technologies.

Other Courses Offered: LI4113 Language Technology, LI4211 Linguistics, LI5002 Sociolinguistics of Irish Media, and LI5922 Language Systems

### Queen's University, Belfast

ENL2002 Language and Power

This module investigates the ways in which language intersects with the social and political reflexes of power and ideology. Students are encouraged to challenge, through exposure and then analysis, the discourse conventions that characterise the language of powerful groups and institutions. This module places particular emphasis on print and broadcast media, legal, political and advertising discourse, and on other forms of institutional rhetoric. Among the topics covered are: The Discourse of Institutions and Organisations; Power and Talk; Language and Gender; Language and Race; Language and the Law; Humour as Power; Political Discourse and the Language of Advertising.

Other Courses Offered: ENL2004 History of English: Studying Language Change, ENL3003 Speech Worlds: Phonetics and Phonology in Communication, ENL3004 Language in the Media, and ENL3009 English Syntax

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## BOTSWANA

### University of Botswana

ALL131 Language and Communication in Africa

Other Courses Offered: ALL121 Introduction to the Study of Linguistics, ALL122 The Characteristics of Human Language, ALL221 Sound Systems in African Languages, and ALL222 Structure of Words in African Languages

## **SOUTH AFRICA**

### **University of Cape Town**

ELL1032F Introduction to Language Studies

1. Introduction: description vs prescription; speech vs writing; competence vs performance.
2. Phonetics: the International Phonetic Alphabet; articulatory phonetics; classification of sounds; suprasegmentals.
3. Phonology: phoneme/allophone.
4. Morphology and syntax: morphemes; word-formation; constituents; phrase structure; elements of generative grammar.
5. Semantics and pragmatics: approaches to meaning; sense/reference; truth value; semantic features; speech acts; pragmatic rules.
6. Sociolinguistics: standard vs dialect; social and regional variation; gender; register.
7. Psychology of language: the mental lexicon; elements of neurolinguistics.
8. Historical linguistics: language families; introduction to language change; language contact.

Other Courses Offered: ELL1033S Introduction to Applied Language Studies, ELL2018F Linguistics IIA, and ELL3021 Linguistics IIIA

### **University of Kwa-Zulu Natal, Howard College (Durban)**

LING101 H1 Understanding Language

We provide students with insights into the intricate facets of language by introducing them to various areas of linguistic research. We discuss the acquisition of language, its representation in the brain/mind, its use in different social contexts and interaction between linguistic findings and selected fields of application. The course also includes a section on research methods to develop students' academic skills of writing and analysis.

Other Courses Offered:

LING102 H2 Introduction to Language Study, LING201 H1 Language and Diversity, LING204 H2 The Multilingual Mind, and LING301 H1 Language and Power

### **University of the Witwatersrand**

Language, Mind, and Brain

This course is an excellent complement to any general courses in the Social Sciences and Humanities, because we examine a variety of language-related issues to do with human behaviour: language evolution, language learning (acquisition), attitudes to other languages, language change and loss, and finally the death of languages. The focus in the course is on language and cognition: what is the language instinct that all humans have what makes it a uniquely human system. We examine various psychological and linguistic issues, together with the theories that address them. These include: the evolution of the brain to become uniquely adapted to language; how language is stored in the mind; how language is acquired; how language shapes our thoughts, and how our thoughts shape our language.

Other Courses Offered:

Introduction to the Structure of Language, Psycholinguistics, Phonetics, and Sociolinguistics