

LINGUISTICS PHD

Degree Requirements

The following requirements are in addition to, or further elaborate upon, those requirements outlined in The Graduate School Policy Guide (<https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/tgs/academic-policies-procedures/>).

PhD

Total Units Required: 10

Course	Title
Fundamental Properties of Language (4 quarters)	
LING 400-0	Seminar in Linguistics (Pragmatic Theory)
LING 420-0	Sociolinguistic Theory and Analysis
LING 450-1	Laboratory Phonology I
LING 460-1	Syntactic Analysis I

Advanced Competency (4 quarters)

Any 4 400-level LING courses, excepting independent study and other required courses.

Computational Analysis (1 quarter)

One of the following courses

LING 300-0	Topics in Linguistics (Introduction to Programming and Text Processing for Linguists)
LING 334-0	Introduction to Computational Linguistics

Statistics (1 quarter)

STAT 330-1	Applied Statistics for Research 1
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Additional Degree Requirements

- **Research/Projects:** successful completion of one research paper, by the end of eighth quarter, for admission to candidacy; acceptable master's thesis in the department may be offered to satisfy the requirement
- **PhD Dissertation:** in addition to PhD degree requirements outlined in the Graduate Study at Northwestern University section of this Web site, completion of a prospectus by the end of the twelfth quarter, for admission to candidacy
- **Final Evaluations:** none specified beyond the PhD degree requirements outlined in the Graduate Study at Northwestern University section of this Web site
- **Other:** demonstration of advanced competence in a second natural language. (For non-native English speakers, advanced competence in English satisfies this requirement.)

Master's

Total Units Required: 9

* The Qualifying Paper and course work can be used by PhD students to satisfy requirements for MA degree.

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Electives (3 quarters)

Any 3 LING courses offered for graduate credit.

Other MA Degree Requirements

- **Examinations:** none specified
- **Research/Projects:** none specified
- **Master's Thesis:** required
- **Other:** demonstration of advanced proficiency in one non-English language (department assumes native or near-native proficiency in English)