Linguistics

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Linguistics

Introduction
Language is the basis of all communications and thoughts. All primitive or sophisticated civilization uses some kind of language to communicate.

Linguistics is the scientific study of language. It studies the common element of all languages and applies it to archeology, anthropology, psychology, philosophy, sociology, English, computer science and indeed to almost all subjects known to mankind.

Students of linguistics learn phonetics, grammar (syntax), semantics (the study of meanings of words) the relationship between language and mind, language and society.

They also learn lexicography (making of dictionaries), and language teaching. Students are asked to take up an Indian language on which no work has been done so far.

It has two divisions, theoretic and applied.

Theoretical linguistics is the branch of linguistics that is most concerned with developing models of linguistic knowledge. The main fields are:

Theoretical linguistics

Phonetics, the study of the physical sounds of languages, particularly the production and perception of those sounds.

Phonology, the study of how sounds are organized and used in languages to encode meaning.

Morphology, the study of the internal structure of words.

Syntax, the study of the rules that govern the way the words in a sentence come together.

Semantics, the study of meaning.

Pragmatics, the study of the way language can communicate more than is explicitly stated.
Applied linguistics

Just like any science, after you learn a theory, you have to apply it to real life situations.

Research of applied linguistics is concerned with the theoretical and empirical investigation of real world problems in which language is a central issue

Major branches of applied linguistics include

- Bilingualism and multilingualism
- Computer-mediated communication (cmc)
- Conversation analysis
- Contrastive linguistics
- Deaf linguistic
- Language assessment
- Literacies
- Discourse analysis
- Language pedagogy
- Second language acquisition
- Lexicography
- Language planning and policies
- Stylistics
- Pragmatics
- Forensic linguistics
- Translation.

Applied linguistics

Applied linguistics is an interdisciplinary field of study that identifies, investigates, and offers solutions to language-related real-life problems. Some of the academic fields related to applied linguistics are education, linguistics, psychology, computer science, anthropology, and sociology. (Wikipedia)

Language acquisition - The study of how we acquire our native language and how we learn other languages

Psycholinguistics - The study of the association between thinking and language.

Neurolinguistics - The study of the neural mechanisms involved in the comprehension, production and abstract knowledge of language.

Sociolinguistics, the study of the relationship between language and society.
Historical linguistics, the study of the origin of words (also known as diachronic linguistics or philology).

Anthropological linguistics, the study of the relationship between language and culture.

Discourse analysis, the study of language in the context of conversation.

There are several specializations for the linguistics:

Etymologist - One who the studies the origin of words.

Syntax, the study of the rules that govern the way the words in a sentence come together.

Psycholinguistics, the study of the connection between thinking and the use of language.

Sociolinguistics, the study of the interrelationship between language and society, and language and culture.

Discourse analyst - Who studies language in the context of conversation.

Phonologist - Who studies how sounds are organized and used in languages.

Semiotics, semiotic studies, or semiology is the study of signs and symbols, both individually and grouped into sign systems. It includes the study of how meaning is constructed and understood.

Translation software designer - A linguist with advanced computer programming knowledge, who can design a translation program.

Lexicographer - One who develops an entry or definition of a word, term, or concept to be included in a monolingual or bilingual dictionary.

Benefits:

A course in linguistics can sharpen ones writing and argumentative skills. It also helps the individual acquire mastery over data analysis, synthesis of speech, child language etc.

A thorough understanding of the social, cultural and psychological perspective enables the candidate to understand the mysteries of speech, sound, words and sentences which are the building blocks of a language.
Scope in India and Abroad:

There are plenty of growth opportunities here in India as well as in other countries.

- Job opportunities for linguists are available in Central Institute of Indian Languages, Mysore, Institute of Hindi Language, New Delhi and Anthropological Survey of India.
- Hospitals look for linguists as speech therapists.
- Call centers need them as speech trainers.
- Ad agencies, journalism, business and corporate communication all need language specialists.
- Linguists work for a range of organizations, including universities and colleges, high tech companies, research institutions, consulting firms, government, and the military.
- If your knowledge of linguistics is consummate with technical expertise then you can design computer software.
- Linguists are hired by universities to research rare dialects as a part of specific project. With post graduation degree you can be a faculty of linguistics.
- Publishers often recruit linguists for online dictionaries.
- Neurolinguists and speech therapists are in demand for treating pediatric and adult speech problems.
Remuneration

Remuneration in the field of linguistics depends upon the organization with which the person is working. A beginner can earn between Rs10000-Rs15000 per month.

Those who want to build a career in teaching foreign languages can earn around Rs 10000 – Rs 20000 per month. Translators get paid between Rs 50 – 100 per page. Those working with embassies may receive remuneration of Rs 8000 p.m. - 10000 p.m. Interpreters generally earn around Rs 300 to 500 per hour.

Qualifications:

For acquiring a Bachelor’s degree in linguistics one needs to pass the Higher Secondary or 10 + 2 examinations with humanities as one of the main disciplines.

For Masters you need any Bachelor’s degree.

For acquiring a post graduation degree a graduation in linguistics is a must.

Aggregate of marks should be at least 50%

I have provided individual requirements of the institutes.

Linguistic Career Courses in India

Many Universities and institutions in India offer this course and follow the regular semester time table.

I have provided a list of these institutions and their addresses.

All these links are working and correct as on June 2011.
1. The English and Foreign Languages University

The English and Foreign Languages University (EFL University) is created by the Indian Parliament. It has several schools.

SCHOOL OF LANGUAGE SCIENCES is concerned with the discipline of English Language and Linguistics. The School has following Departments:

1. Department of Phonetics and Spoken English  
2. Department of Linguistics and Contemporary English  
3. Department of Computational Linguistics

The teaching will be undertaken by the Departments of the School at both undergraduate and post-graduate levels.

However, the main Endeavour of the School will be focused on research work to be carried out at the M.Phil and Ph.D levels.

It has campuses in Hyderabad, Lucknow and Shillong.

EFL UNIVERSITY LUCKNOW CAMPUS offers

- M. Phil English (Linguistics & Phonetics)  
- Ph. D in English (Linguistics & Phonetics)

Address

SCHOOL OF LANGUAGE SCIENCES  
Hyderabad Campus  
General Number 27098131 General Number 27689400

Regional Centres  
Lucknow Campus 0522 221 6073 | Shillong Campus 0364 223 1648

http://www.efluniversity.ac.in/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=110&Itemid=130
2. **University of Mumbai**

**Department of Linguistics**

Courses/Programmes and subject combinations offered

M.A., Ph.D.& Certificate Course in Phonetics & Phonology

Address: Ranade Bhavan, 'A' Wing Vidyanagari Campus, Kalina, Santacruz (E), Mumbai - 400 098

For General Enquiry Contact
Fort Campus: 2265 2819 / 2265 2825. Kalina Campus: 2652 6091 / 2652 6388.

Phone: 2652 6091 Ext: 339/443

Email: linguistics@mu.ac.in

http://www.mu.ac.in/arts/ling_lang/linguistics/profile.html

3. **Annamalai University**

**P.G. Diploma in APPLIED LINGUISTICS**

a) Adult Literacy  
b) Language Planning  
c) Lexicography  
d) Phonetics  
e) Transalation  
f) Computational Linguistics

**Duration:** One Academic Year - Part-time - Evening Programme.

**Eligibility for Admission:** P.G Student, Research Scholars, staff of the Department of languages and Linguistics.

http://annamalaiuniversity.ac.in/fac_arts_postgp.htm
Address

The Director
P.O Box no: 4
Directorate of Distance Education
Annamalai University
Annamalai nagar
Pin – 608002
Phone no: 04144-238610, 237160
http://annamalaiuniversity.ac.in/
Fax no: 04144-238987
email: dde@annamalaiuniversity.ac.in

4. North-Eastern Hill University

Department of Linguistics
http://www.nehu.ac.in/Schools/Humanities/Linguistics/index.php

Normal Courses

M.A. Linguistics Ph. D. Linguistics

Open Courses

Offered in the 2nd Semester from February 2010

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Address

Dr. Shailendra K. Singh, Head
Department of Linguistics,
North-Eastern Hill University
Shillong 793 022
Phone No. 272 3310 / 272 3311
5. Tezpur University

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH & FOREIGN LANGUAGES

PhD in Linguistics
They do not have Graduate courses, but have facility for research leading to Ph.D.
http://www.tezu.ernet.in/deng/

Address
HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT
Prof. Farheena Danta
Department of English and Foreign Language
Tezpur University
Napaam, Assam, India - 784 028
Phone No. 03712-267006/7/8 Extn: 5201
E-mail: fdefl@tezu.ernet.in
Mobile No. +919435563284

6. Manipur University

http://manipuruniv.ac.in/departments/linguistic.htm
Department of Linguistics
Course Offered M.A. and Ph.D.
Manipur University
Canchipur, Imphal
Phone: (0385) 2435276/24355055 /Fax:(0385) 2435145

7. University of Hyderabad

Centre for Applied Linguistics & Translation Studies
http://www.uohyd.ernet.in/index.php/academics/schools-of-study/humanities/center-translation-studies
CALTS specializes in language interface studies with a special emphasis on Language Technology (for which a Special Assistance Programme has been sanctioned by UGC from 2002 to 2007), translation studies, lexicography, language planning and language teaching.

**Offered Programs**

**M.A. in Applied Linguistics** is a four-semester programme with 4 courses per semester.

**M.Phil. in Applied Linguistics** is a two-semester programme including four first semester courses and a dissertation in the second semester. The dissertation will have to be written on a topic approved by the Centre.

**M.Phil. in Translation Studies** is a two-semester programme including course work and a dissertation.

The Ph.D. programme in Applied Linguistics and the Ph.D. programme in Translation Studies extend over a minimum period of two years from the date of confirmation of admission.

The nature of each programme is individually decided for each candidate but normally (and for candidates who have done no M.Phil., always) includes at least four courses spread over the first two semesters and a dissertation on an approved topic under faculty guidance.

**Address**

Prof. Mohan G Ramanan  
School of Humanities  
Telephone: (040) 23010003 23133300/23133301  
E-Mail: deansh@uohyd.ernet.in

8. **Andhra University**

http://www.andhrauniversity.info/courses.html

PG diploma in linguistics

**Address**

Prof. O. ANIEL KUMAR  
DIRECTOR  
DIRECTORATE OF ADMISSIONS  
VIJAYANAGAR PALACE, ANDHRA UNIVERSITY  
PEDA WALT AIR, L.B. COLONY (POST)
9. **Gujrat University**

   **Department of Linguistics**
   
   University School of Languages,

1. **M.A.**
   
   Graduation – BA in Any faculty; intake 75, duration 2 years,
   
   Course Commencement : June
   
   Admission Process : By Merit
   
   Fees Rs. 410 (for boys), Rs. 210 (for Girls) (As per Guj.Uni.)
   
   Course Offered at : School of Languages

2. **Diploma in Linguistics**


   **Address**
   
   Gujarat University,
   
   Navrangpura,
   
   Ahmedabad – 380009.
   
   Phone : +91-79-26302382

10. **Osmania University**

www.osmania.ac.in

**PG DIPLOMA IN APPLIED LINGUISTICS [1 -YEAR]**

I) A pass in PG Degree in any Language/ Literature  OR

ii) M.Sc. in Hearing Language & Speech  OR

iii) Any other related subject which offers any one of the braches (theoretical or applied) of Linguistics as one of the papers.

**MA in LINGUISTICS**

A Graduate in B.A./B.Sc./B.Com with any language subject having studied for two years for minimum of (200) marks with 40% marks in Part-II

Feel free to contact the following personnel for any detailed information and clarifications regarding the information about Osmania University.

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11. **Gauhati University**

**Department of Linguistics**

**Ph. D Programme**

shobham@yahoo.com
12. **University of Delhi:**

The Department of Linguistics was started in 1963.

**Courses Offered**

- Ph.D. Linguistics
- M.Phil. Linguistics
- M.A. Linguistics
- Advanced Diploma in Applied Linguistics
- Post M.A. Diploma in Linguistics (Part-time)

**Eligibility**

For M.Phil. - Good academic record with a first or a high second class (55%) Master’s Degree in Linguistics from a recognized University.

For One year Advanced Diploma Course in Linguistics (Part-Time)-Master’s Degree.

For One Year Post-M.A. Diploma Course in Linguistics (Part-Time)-Master’s Degree with at least 40% marks.

**Address**

**Prof. Ramesh Chand Sharma (Head)**

Faculty of Arts Extension Building
University of Delhi
Delhi – 110007

shobham@yahoo.com
13. Jawaharlal Nehru University (New Delhi):

School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies

There are post graduate and research programmes in Linguistics, and research facilities in Semiotics.
http://www.jnu.ac.in/main.asp?sendval=SchoolOfLanguage

Address
New Mehrauli Road,
New Delhi 110067.
Phones: +91-11-26742676, 26742575, 26741557 Fax: 26742586 Email
webmaster@mail.jnu.ac.in
http://www.jnu.ac.in/

14. Aligarh Muslim University

Department of Linguistics
http://www.amu.ac.in/ShowCourses.jsp?did=17

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Chairman
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15. Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda

Department of Linguistics

The Department of Linguistics was instituted in 1964 and it offers general and specialized courses in Linguistics at the under-graduate and post-graduate levels. The Department also offers a PG Diploma in Linguistics.

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Phone No : 91-265-2795340 Ext No.23
econtact-linguistic@msubaroda.ac.in

http://msubaroda.ac.in/deptindex.php?ffac_code=1&fdept_code=10

16. Bharathiar University

Department of Linguistics

The Department of Linguistics since its inception in the year 1985 has been striving hard for the development of Dravidian Languages.

- M.A. Linguistics
- M.Phil.
- Ph.D.
17. **University of Kolkata**

Department of Linguistics, formerly known as the Department of Comparative Philology, was established by Sir Asutosh Mookerjee in 1904.

**Courses Offered**

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**Address**

87/1, College Street,
Kolkata - 700 073.
Telephone No. : 2241 0071; (extension: 341)
http://www.caluniv.ac.in/academic/academic_frame.htm
18. **University of Kerala**

Department of Linguistics  
Year of Establishment : 1963  
http://www.keralauniversity.ac.in/departments/linguistics  
Course Categories  
♦ MA ♦ MPhil ♦ PhD ♦ Short term Course

19. **Deccan College Post Graduate and Research Institute, Pune**

http://www.deccancollegepune.ac.in/  
**Master of Arts (M.A.) in Linguistics**  
Duration : 2 years / 4 semesters. For full-time regular students only. http://www.deccancollegepune.ac.in/m_a_linguistics.asp  

**Ph.D. Linguistics**  
M.A. in Linguistics or in one of the classical or modern Indian or foreign languages. Students having an M.A. degree in a subject other than Linguistics will have successfully completed the M.Phil. / M.Litt. course in Linguistics of any other recognized university.  
http://www.deccancollegepune.ac.in/ph_d_rules.asp#phd_лингвистика  

**Address**  
Deccan College Road,  
Yerwada,  
Pune - 411006,  
Maharashtra,  
India.  
Phone - 020 - 2651 3204  
**Email :** info@deccancollegepune.ac.in
20. Berhampur University, Berhampur, Orissa

http://bamu.nic.in/

DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS

Introduction

This is the only department in the state of Orissa to offer two year’s M.A. and PhD program in Linguistics.

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Next I have provided links for online courses, many free ones. Please do browse around.
Online Sites

21. **Linguistics and Philosophy**

Free course from MIT.

http://ocw.mit.edu/OcwWeb/Linguistics-and-Philosophy/

22. **The Virtual Linguistics Campus (VLC)**

Welcome to the Virtual Linguistics Campus (VLC), the world's largest e-learning platform for linguistics. The VLC offers fully certified linguistic courses and course material for theoretical and applied linguistics. Furthermore, it includes a variety of linguistic tools and all the communicative facilities necessary for successful e-learning.

http://linguistics.online.uni-marburg.de/

23. **Utah State University**

Utah State University currently offers a range of on-line linguistics courses. More information about these courses can be found at

http://www.english.usu.edu/lingnet

At present the following courses are being offered:

* Linguistic Structures (an introductory course)
* History of English
* Historical and Comparative Linguistics
* Languages of Native America
* Languages of the World
* Morphology
* Phonetics
* Phonology
* Syntax

These courses are fully accredited and may be transferred to any other college or university for use in fulfilling prerequisites or certification requirements.

http://www.linguisticsresources.com/onlinelinguistics.html
24. **The Linguistics 110**

Linguistics 110 is an introduction to the wonders of language.

http://www.departments.bucknell.edu/linguistics/ln110.html

25. **Institute of Linguists**

Serves the interests of professional linguists throughout the world.

www.iol.org.uk

26. **Free Online Foreign Languages & Linguistics Courses**

Learning a language is easy online, and with these classes it doesn't even have to cost you a penny. Alternatively, if syntax and semantics are your passion, there are linguistics courses here that will enable you to take the English language apart and remake it. Welcome to the world of language arts!

http://www.onlinecourses.net/foreign-languages-linguistics

27. **Online Linguistics Courses at Accredited Schools**

This has a list of paid courses.

http://www.onlineeducation.net/courses/linguistics/online