

## LING 497: Advanced Topics in Linguistics: Doing Research in Linguistics and Applied Linguistics

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Mondays: 3:30- 6:20 pm

Prerequisites: None



This course provides an introduction to research methods in linguistics and applied linguistics. The aim is to develop students' understanding and knowledge of a range of research methods and approaches and also skills in reading, interpreting, planning and implementing research. Students also learn about how to critically review and evaluate the literature relevant to their field of interest and determine how research findings are useful in forming their understanding of their work.

Objectives:

The main goals of the course are:

- To become familiar with the range of research methods and approaches to research in linguistics and applied linguistics
- To develop skills in planning and implementing research
- To develop skills in formulating researchable question and in choosing an appropriate method to investigate the research problem
- To become familiar with basic statistical concepts and procedures
- To learn about how to critically review and evaluate the literature relevant to students' field of interest and determine how research findings are useful in forming their understanding of their work

The course involves a series of individual and group assignments and activities each focusing on a particular aspect of linguistics and applied linguistics research. These activities are central to an understanding of the nature of research and what it involves.