



LING 301: Topics in the Structure of an Indigenous Language Family:

Salish (1.5 units)

Fall 2026 – University of Victoria



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Interior_Salish_languages#/media/File:Salishan_languages.svg

Schedule

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday: 12:30 - 1:20

Prerequisites

Minimum third year standing or permission of the department.

Description

This course will focus on language patterns and linguistic structures in the Salish language family, and how different relationships exist between the languages. Will focus on the Central Salish languages, especially those spoken in the Strait of Georgia. Will include discussion of oral and written literature and how cultural concepts are represented in language, as well as the language revitalization work being done in a number of communities.

Textbooks

- Various readings, handouts and slides will be distributed throughout the course.

Instructor

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