Linguistics Minor

Our program offers an undergraduate minor in linguistics and a cognate, which prepare students for future graduate work and careers valuing skills such as critical thinking, attention to detail, creative problem-solving and communication. The linguistics minor is also good preparation for graduate study in speech pathology. Courses include language in society, historical linguistics, philosophy of language, acquisition of language by children and courses devoted to the description of a particular language: English, French, German, or Spanish.

The knowledge gained through studying linguistics complements a wide variety of primary disciplines, including anthropology, computer science, English, philosophy, psychology, and the study of languages and cultures. Majoring in one of the related disciplines and minoring in linguistics can prepare students for a variety of careers, including teaching, translating, foreign service, and social work, or graduate study in linguistics and any of its related fields.