

What Can I Do With This **Ohio State** Major?

Bachelor of Arts

Linguistics

College of Arts and Sciences

The goal of linguistics is to provide an objective and systematic study of the shared properties among human languages that can be observed in their sound systems and grammars. Though linguistics is fundamentally a humanistic discipline because of its subject matter, it is scientific in its goals and methods and has much in common with social sciences including psychology, anthropology, and sociology. The department of Linguistics offers two tracks: Track A is designed to give students familiarity with a broad range of subject areas and Track B is appropriate for students interested in research and plan to attend graduate school. ⁱ

Career Areas/Job Titles:

Communication and Media

Editor
Technical Writer

Health Professions

Speech Pathologist/Therapist
Audiologist
Medical Doctor
Researcher

Science and Technology

Computer Programmer
Speech Recognition
Speech Production

Education

Language Instructor
College Professor
ESL Instructor

Literacy Instructor

Librarian

Non-Profit/Advocacy

Missionary
Civil Service Employee
Lawyer

**Some careers may require licensure, certification, or further education. Talk to an advisor about specific requirements.*

Transferable Skills:

Basic Computer Skills
Language Fluency
Editing
Expressing Ideas
Provide/Respond to Feedback
Speaking Effectively
Technical Writing
Use Technology Effectively
Cultural Understanding

Service Orientation
Social Perceptiveness
Teaching/Instructing Others
Gathering Information
Identifying Problems
Research Skills
Setting Goals
Adaptability/Flexibility
Attention to Detail

Initiative
Punctuality
Administrative Skills
Organization Skills
Planning
Prioritizing Tasks
Quantitative Reasoning
Analytical/Critical Thinking
Problem Solving

**This is not an extensive list of transferable skills. See larger list of skills you might develop here:*

<http://ccss.osu.edu>

Professional Links:

Underlings – Undergraduate Linguistics Club at The Ohio State University:

<http://underlings.org.ohio-state.edu/site/>

American Association of Applied Linguistics: <http://www.aal.org/>

Linguistics Society of America: <http://www.linguisticsociety.org/>