



College of Arts & Sciences

Linguistics

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WHAT CAN A LINGUISTICS MAJOR AT UK DO FOR YOU?

Linguists are interested in a precise and systematic understanding of the phenomenon of human language. In pursuing this goal, they study the diverse ways in which languages differ from one another as well as the ways in which they are fundamentally alike; the processes of language learning and language use; the forces that cause language to change over time; and the historical relationships that exist among the world's languages.

WHAT SKILLS DO YOU DEVELOP STUDYING LINGUISTICS?

- Ability to think logically about the form and meaning of language
- Awareness of physical, psychological and socio-cultural aspects of language use
- Capacity to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing
- Ability to work effectively in a collaborative environment
- Ability to gather and interpret complex information and synthesize the findings in a coherent manner
- Help communities revive and revitalize their languages, including developing writing systems

LINGUISTICS MAJORS GO ON TO HAVE CAREERS IN:

- Artificial intelligence
- Computing and technology Forensic linguistics
- General linguistics
- International business Language teaching
- Lexicography
- Language documentation
- Minority language advocacy
- Natural language processing
- Cryptography
- Psycholinguistics
- Publishing
- Sociolinguistics
- Speech pathology

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