ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

Although the department prefers that prospective majors present a cumulative GPA of 2.50 or higher, it will accept students who meet the following minimum qualifications:

1. Completion of at least one year of college course work in a single Romance language.
2. Completion of at least one writing (W) course, or a second composition (C) course beyond the College of Arts and Sciences' minimum C requirement.
3. Completion of an introductory linguistics course, such as LING 200 or LING 400.
4. Completion of one additional quantitative and symbolic reasoning (Q/SR) course.
5. A minimum grade of 2.0 in each and a cumulative GPA of 2.50 in the W, introductory, and QSR courses.

Applicants who do not meet the minimum qualifications may appeal and may submit materials in addition to transcripts clarifying any aspect of past course work. See adviser for information on appeal procedure.

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The following is an outline of the required courses for the Romance Linguistics major:

Introductory course in linguistics. (5 credits)

- For details, see the Introductory Courses page.

Core Courses (20 credits):

- Introduction to Linguistic Phonetics (LING 450)
- Phonology I (LING 451)
- Syntax I (LING 461)
- Syntax II (LING 462)

Language Courses (15 credits):

- 15 credits at the 300 level or higher of one Romance Language (French, Spanish, Italian, or Portuguese). The following restriction applies: translation courses and courses taught primarily in English do not fulfill this requirement. This excludes the following courses:
  - FRENCH: 378, 445, 472, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488
  - SPAN: 317, 318, 320, 332, 408
  - ITAL: 318, 319, 341, 480, 481, 482
  - PORT: 335

Elective Courses (20 credits):

- Additional credits in linguistics or related fields. See Elective Requirement page for details.

Romance Research Paper:

- At least one class must include a research paper on a topic in Romance linguistics.

Senior Essay (3 credits):
LING 419 - Essay on a Romance linguistics topic of the student's choice, written under the supervision of a faculty consultant. See the Romance Linguistics senior essay grading criteria (PDF) for additional information.

Total credits: 63 credits