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LINGUISTICS (INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMME) BA / UCAS CODE: Q101 2018 ENTRY

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Linguistics (International Programme) BA /

This four-year programme is essentially identical to the three-year Linguistics BA, but you will have the opportunity to spend an additional year abroad at one of our partner institutions, currently in Canada, Germany, Hong Kong, Italy, the Netherlands or the USA (please note that year abroad options are subject to change).

Key information

Programme starts
September 2018

Location
London, Bloomsbury

Degree benefits

// Gain a broad-based training in linguistics and phonetics together with the opportunity to explore other themes, such as language acquisition and language processing.

// Spend your third year abroad. Our partner institutions have excellent academic reputations in linguistics and are located in Canada, China, Italy, the Netherlands and the USA.

// UCL is known worldwide for its teaching and research in linguistics and the work of our staff appears in internationally acclaimed journals and books.

// Our focus on small-group teaching helps develop a friendly and supportive atmosphere. You will have access to extensive computer facilities and to a specialised on-site library.

Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014

The Research Excellence Framework, or REF, is the system for assessing the quality of research in UK higher education institutions. The 2014 REF was carried out by the UK’s higher education funding bodies, and the results used to allocate research funding from 2015/16.

// 74% rated 4* (‘world-leading’) or 3* (‘internationally excellent’)

Learn more about the scope of UCL’s research, and browse case studies, on our Research Impact website.

Degree structure

In each year of your degree you will take a number of individual modules, normally valued at 0.5 or 1.0 credits, adding up to a total of 4.0 credits for the year. Modules are assessed in the academic year in which they are taken. The balance of compulsory and optional modules varies from programme to programme and year to year. A 1.0 credit is considered equivalent to 15 credits in the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS).

In the first year your modules are all compulsory, providing a foundation in linguistics and helping you assess where your own interests and strengths lie.

In year two, you will take at least four intermediate modules covering the core areas of linguistics and further optional modules from any area of linguistics or a combination of linguistics and more widely across UCL.

Your third year will be spent abroad.

In your final year, you will undertake a research project, involving a deep and sustained study of a subject in which you are especially interested. You will also take three advanced modules from the core areas of linguistics and further optional intermediate or advanced modules offered in any area of linguistics. You can also take optional modules offered outside linguistics; for example, many students choose to take language courses taught by the UCL Centre for Languages & International Education.

YEAR ONE

Core or compulsory module(s)

// Children’s Language Development
// Core Issues in Linguistics
// Introduction To Generative Grammar
// Introduction To Phonetics And Phonology
// Introduction to Semantics and Pragmatics

Optional modules

// All first year modules are compulsory.

YEAR TWO

Core or compulsory module(s)

// Students select modules from Semantics, Pragmatics, Syntax and either Phonetics or Phonology at an intermediate level to the value of 2.0 credits.

Optional modules

// Students will select 2.0 credits of optional modules either all in linguistics or a maximum of 1.0 credit may be taken more widely across UCL. Some possible linguistics options are listed below.

Animal Communication
Language Acquisition
Linguistics of Sign Language
Morphology
Neurolinguistics
Phonology of English
Pragmatics
Semantics
Sociolinguistics
Stuttering
Syntax
Multilingualism
Chinese Linguistics
YEAR THREE

Year abroad
- Modules agreed in consultation with host institution. Current exchange partners include Ca’Foscari University in Venice, the Chinese University of Hong Kong, McGill University, University of Massachusetts, University of Tübingen and University of Utrecht.
- These exchanges are reviewed periodically and are thus subject to change.
- Other overseas exchanges are available through UCL-level links. These cover all departments, and application for places is accordingly competitive.
- Our departmental exchange agreements normally allow for up to two UCL students to attend each institution each year. When you apply to go on your year abroad, you will be asked to list three chosen destinations in order of preference. Allocation to your first choice destination is not guaranteed.

FINAL YEAR

Core or compulsory module(s)
- All students complete the Long Essay/Project (1.0 credit)

Optional modules
- Students select 1.5 credits of advanced modules in Phonetics, Phonology, Pragmatics, Semantics, Syntax and a further 1.5 credits of advanced or intermediate options either all in linguistics or a maximum of 1.0 credit may be taken more widely across UCL.
- Some possible linguistics options are listed below:
  - Animal Communication
  - Language Acquisition
  - Linguistics of Sign Language
  - Morphology
  - Neurolinguistics
  - Phonology of English
  - Pragmatics
  - Semantics
  - Sociolinguistics
  - Stuttering
  - Syntax
  - Multilingualism
  - Chinese Linguistics

Your learning
Teaching is mainly delivered through lectures, workshops and small-group teaching (tutorials in which you meet with a group of between five and 12 students and a staff member to discuss topics covered in the lecture) as well as a virtual learning environment. Some modules also involve workshops.

Assessment
Each module is assessed and examined separately, often by a combination of essays, exercises and examinations. Your performance in a module is always assessed in the same academic year in which you take it.

Your career
In addition to subject-specific skills, you will also acquire the analytical, investigative and study skills essential for most graduate careers, which could include law, computing, commerce and industry. Recent national surveys show that Linguistics graduates have above average employment rates and starting salaries after graduation.

Many Linguistics graduates from UCL continue studying at graduate level, often with a view to pursuing an academic career. Linguistics connects with many other disciplines and a number of graduates go on to work in these areas, e.g. teaching languages, especially English as a first or foreign language, speech therapy, advertising or the media.

First career destinations of recent graduates (2013-2015) of this programme include:
- Speech Data Evaluator, Google
- Editorial Assistant, H Bauer Publishing
- MA in Linguistics, Queen Mary University of London (QML)
- MSc in Applied Linguistics and Second Language Acquisition, University of Oxford
- Language Assistant, Académie de la Martinique

Your application
Application for admission should be made through UCAS (the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service). Applicants currently at school or college will be provided with advice on the process; however, applicants who have left school or who are based outside the United Kingdom may obtain information directly from UCAS.

We are looking for students with strong analytical skills who are fascinated by languages and intrigued by how the human mind works. We place particular emphasis on your personal statement and will be looking for clarity of expression and evidence that you have considered the subject in detail.

If you are likely to meet our entry requirements you will be asked to complete a questionnaire. UK residents may then be invited to an applicant open day where you will find out about the department and programme, attend a lecture or tutorial and join a tour of UCL.
Entry requirements

**A LEVELS**

**Grades**
AAA-ABB

**Subjects**
One or more subjects from English Language, Mathematics or science preferred.

**GCSE**
English Language and Mathematics at grade C or 5. For UK-based students, a grade C or 5 or equivalent in a foreign language (other than Ancient Greek, Biblical Hebrew or Latin) is required. UCL provides opportunities to meet the foreign language requirement following enrolment, further details at: www.ucl.ac.uk/ug-reqs

**IB DIPLOMA**

**Points**
34-36 overall.

**Subjects**
A score of 16-18 points in three higher level subjects preferably to include English Language, Mathematics or a science subject, with no score lower than 5.

**OTHER QUALIFICATIONS**

UCL considers a wide range of UK and international qualifications for entry into its undergraduate programmes. Full details are given at: www.ucl.ac.uk/otherquals

**UNDERGRADUATE PREPARATORY CERTIFICATES (International foundation courses)**

The Undergraduate Preparatory Certificates (UPCs) are intensive one-year foundation courses for international students of high academic potential who are aiming to gain access to undergraduate degree programmes at UCL and other top UK universities.

Typical UPC students will be high achievers in a 12-year school system which does not meet the standard required for direct entry to UCL.

For more information see: www.ucl.ac.uk/upc.

**TUITION FEES**

The fees indicated are for undergraduate entry in the 2018/19 academic year. The UK/EU fees shown are for the first year of the programme at UCL only. The Overseas fees shown are the fees that will be charged to 2018/19 entrants for each year of study on the programme, unless otherwise indicated below.

// UK & EU: £9,250 (2018/19)
// Overseas: £18,820 (2018/19)

Full details of UCL’s tuition fees, tuition fee policy and potential increases to fees can be found on the UCL Students website.

**FUNDING**

Various funding options are available, including student loans, scholarships and bursaries. UK students whose household income falls below a certain level may also be eligible for a non-repayable bursary or for certain scholarships. Please see the Fees and funding pages for more details.

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**EU referendum**

For up-to-date information relating to specific key questions following the UK’s decision to leave the EU, please refer to:

www.ucl.ac.uk/eu-referendum

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