The Department of Linguistics at the University of Florida offers students a thorough background in core linguistics, with opportunities to specialize in a wide range of areas. Both Master's (M.A.) and Ph.D. degrees are offered, as well as a certificate in Second Language Acquisition and Teaching (SLAT).

Our research strengths are:
- Core areas: syntax, morphology, phonology, semantics
- Psycholinguistics and neurolinguistics
- Sociolinguistics and discourse analysis
- Teaching English as a second language
- Documenting endangered languages
- African linguistics
- Asian linguistics
- Experimental phonetics
- Second language acquisition
- Language development

Graduate Program

Laboratories & Resources

UF Linguistics has a state-of-the-art phonetics lab, a Language Development lab, a Brain and Language lab with equipment to record event-related brain potentials, and a Language and Cognition lab, which includes a head-mounted eyetracker. In addition, the service programs Academic Spoken English, Academic Written English and the English Language Institute are excellent resources for research in second language acquisition and teaching English as a second language.

Graduate Faculty

Theresa Antes — second language acquisition, pedagogy, French linguistics
Hélène Blondeau — sociolinguistics, language variation & change, language contact, French linguistics
Diana Boxer — discourse, pragmatics, sociolinguistics, second language acquisition, teaching English as a second language
H. Wind Cowles — psycholinguistics, neurolinguistics, eyetracking
James Essegbey — syntax, semantics & pragmatics, language contact, African linguistics
Paula Golombok — second language teacher education, teaching English as a second language, applied linguistics
Youssef A. Haddad — syntax, Semitic and South Asian languages
M.J. Hardman — language & cultures, field methods, Jaq languages, language & gender
James Harnsberger — phonetics, speech perception, vocal aging, forensic applications
Galia Hatav — semantics, biblical Hebrew
Ben Hebblethwaite — Haitian Creole linguistics, syntax, sociolinguistics, bilingualism, code switching, lexicography
Brent Henderson — syntax, Bantu & Semitic languages, second language acquisition
Edith Kaan — psycholinguistics, neurolinguistics, event-related brain potentials, fMRI
Gillian Lord — Spanish linguistics, second language acquisition, phonology, pedagogy
Masaungu Matondo — phonology, morphology, language & society, African linguistics
Fiona McLaughlin — phonology, morphology, African languages, sociolinguistics
Andrea Pham — phonology, second language acquisition, South East Asian languages
David Pharies — Romance linguistics, historical linguistics
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Jason Rothman — first and second language acquisition, multilingual acquisition, syntax
Ratree Wayland — experimental phonetics, South East Asian languages, second language acquisition
Ann Wehmeyer — Japanese linguistics & culture
Caroline Wiltshire — phonology, phonetics, South Asian languages

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Application Deadlines & Graduate Student Support
December 15 (Fall admission) and October 1 (Spring admission). Fellowships, research and teaching assistantships are available.

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