

LIN: Linguistics Courses

Courses

LIN 3673 Grammar for Professional Success
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

An upper-division grammar class which focuses on the principles and conventions of writing. The purpose of this course is twofold: to review the regulatory rules of writing so that students can write responsibly by controlling and editing their own work; and to offer students the language choices available to them as speakers and writers of American English: language choices for informal conversations and texting, for instance, versus language choices for academic, business, and other forms of published writing. Because acceptable professional communication is different from some "acceptable" forms of digital communication, the course makes overt distinctions between the two. Whether your goal is to improve your writing, review the mechanics of writing, become a professional editor, or to learn enough grammar to teach it, this course will give you the kind of knowledge about the English language that most educated members of our society share. The principal goal of Practical Grammar is to offer students a review of the principles and rules of standard American English so that they can edit their own documents. As William Strunk, Jr. says in *The Elements of Style*, "One must first know the rules [of grammar] to break them."

LIN 3742 Modern Grammar and Usage
3 sh (may not be repeated for credit)

Grammar of modern English, including traditional; concentration on structural, generative and transformational approaches. Intended for English majors, required of those preparing for careers in secondary education.

LIN 3905 Directed Study
1-12 sh (may be repeated indefinitely for credit)

LIN 5905 Directed Study
1-12 sh (may be repeated indefinitely for credit)

LIN 6905 Directed Study
1-12 sh (may be repeated indefinitely for credit)