



# 2026 - 2027 Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics

## Option in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)

### 43+ Units

Use this checklist in combination with your official Academic Requirements Report (ARR). This checklist is not intended to replace advising. Consult the advisor for appropriate course sequencing. *Curriculum changes in progress. Requirements subject to change.*

To be considered for admission to the major, complete the following Major Specific Degree Requirements (MSDR) by 60 units:

- Minimum 2.0 overall GPA
- Grades of "C" or better in GE Foundations, Arts and Humanities (Area 3), and Social and Behavioral Sciences (Area 4)
- First-Time, First-Years (Freshmen) who began in Fall 2021 or later: Grade of "C" or better in Ethnic Studies (Area 6)

#### Courses

#### Prerequisites

Complete **ALL** of the following courses (6 units total):

LING 101: Introduction to the World's Languages (3)	
LING/ANTH 170: Introduction to Linguistics (3)	

Complete **ALL** of the following courses (13 units total):

LING 300: Professional Development for Linguists (1)	
LING 325: Modern English Grammar (3)	
LING 329: Introduction to Language Acquisition (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
LING 420: Phonology (3)	LING/ANTH 170; or Consent of Instructor
LING 421: Syntax (3)	LING 325

**Sociocultural Aspects of Language** - Complete **ONE** of the following courses (3 units total):

LING 379: Sociolinguistics (3)	LING/ANTH 170
LING/ANTH 413: Language and Culture (3)	LING/ANTH 170; or Consent of Instructor
LING 477: Language Socialization (3)	

**TESOL Option-Specific Requirements** - Complete **ALL** of the following courses (9 units total):

LING 450: Teaching Second Language Listening and Speaking (3)	Prerequisite: LING 329; or Corequisite: LING 420
LING 460: Teaching Second Language Composition (3)	LING 325; or Consent of Instructor
LING 486: Second Language Teaching Methods (3)	LING 325; or Consent of Instructor

**LING Designated Electives** - Complete **12 U**  
(12 units total):

ASLD 306: American Sign Language Linguistics (3)	LING/ANTH 170; ASLD 102
EDSS 300F: Introduction to Teaching World Languages (3)	Upper Division Standing; Valid Certificate of Clearance and Proof of a Negative TB Test to Begin Fieldwork
EDSS 300G: Introduction to Teaching English (3)	Upper Division Standing; Valid Certificate of Clearance and Proof of a Negative TB Test to Begin Fieldwork
LING 301: Introduction to Research Methods (3)	LING/ANTH 170; or Consent of Instructor
LING 310: Morphology of English (3)	LING/ANTH 170
LING 330: Bilingualism (3) ** An advisor must manually add LING 330 to the list of courses for this area in the Academic Requirements Reports (ARR). See an advisor for details.	Upper Division Standing
LING 360: The Languages of Africa (3)	Upper Division Standing
LING 363: Implications of Human Language (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
LING 375: Spanish in the US (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
LING 379: Sociolinguistics (3)	LING/ANTH 170
LING 401: Corpus Linguistics (3)	LING/ANTH 170; or Consent of Instructor
LING/ANTH 413: Language and Culture (3)	LING/ANTH 170; or Consent of Instructor
LING 422: Discourse Analysis (3)	Corequisite: LING 421; or Consent of Instructor
LING/ENGL 423: Semantics (3)	LING 325 or ENGL 320; or Consent of Instructor

	Courses	Prerequisites
	LING 424: Laboratory Phonetics (3)	LING 101 or LING/ANTH 170 or LING 329 or SLP 271; or Consent of Instructor
	LING 425/ANTH 421: Education Across Cultures (3)	Upper Division Standing
	LING/ENGL 426: History of the English Language (3)	LING/ANTH 170; or Consent of Instructor
	LING/PSY 438: Psycholinguistics (3)	PSY Majors: PSY 301; PSY Major LING Majors: LING 170; LING Major/Minor
	LING 470/ANTH/WGSS 475: Language and Gender in Cross-Cultural Perspective (3)	
	LING 472: Language and Social Justice (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
	LING 477: Language Socialization (3)	
	LING 490: Selected Topics in Linguistics (1 - 3)	Consent of Instructor
	LING 499: Directed Studies in Linguistics (1 - 6)	Consent of Instructor

**Language Requirement** - Students must complete a fourth semester-level course or demonstrate equivalent proficiency in a language other than English. Alternatively, a student may complete two second semester-level courses in two different languages, including at least one language from outside the Indo-European family. A list of applicable courses may be obtained from the undergraduate advisor. Units required depend on the language studied and the student's initial placement level. Students with prior language experience can pass all or part of the language requirement by examination or other evidence (0 - 16 units total).

	Course 1:	
	Course 2:	
	Course 3:	
	Course 4:	

**In order to graduate from CSULB, students must complete General Education/GWAR/Major requirements and have a minimum of 120 units (40 must be upper division) with at least a 2.0 in all GPAs (Overall, CSULB, Major).**

#### Additional Information

- See [online Catalog](#) for additional course information, limitations, and requirements.
- Some courses may also fulfill GE requirements. Visit the GE website for course selection: [csulb.edu/student-records/general-education-requirements](http://csulb.edu/student-records/general-education-requirements).
- A course can only be used to satisfy one major requirement. **Double counting is not allowed within the major.**

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Checklists are available on the [ATLAS website](#)