Graduate Studies in Linguistics

With a dynamic economy, progressive leadership and a growing population of over one million people, Calgary is rated one of the most livable cities in the world.

Nestled in the foothills of Canada's beautiful Rocky Mountains, Calgary is a short trip to pristine wilderness and the mountain resorts of Banff and Lake Louise.

The University of Calgary offers excellent opportunities for graduate study in linguistics.

Our PhD and MA programs have an advantageous student-faculty ratio that ensures small class sizes and personalized attention to the goals of each student. In addition to academic mentorship, we provide our students with professional skills development, teaching and research assistantships, and funding for conference travel.

We guarantee four years of funding at a minimum of $22,000 a year for PhD students, and two years of funding at a minimum of $20,000 a year for MA students. We also provide guidance to students on how to submit successful scholarship applications that enable them to be funded at even higher levels during their time in our program.

Specializations offered by our program include:

- Syntax
- Phonology
- Phonetics
- Morphology
- Language Acquisition (first and second)
- Historical Linguistics

Our program has a strong placement record

Our MA graduates regularly place in the top PhD programs in North America, and our recent PhD graduates have earned post-doctoral and tenure-track positions at research universities around the world.

Application Deadline: January 15

If you have any questions about how to apply to our program, please contact us at linggrad@ucalgary.ca or visit slllc.ucalgary.ca/graduate/

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Our programs house well-equipped lab facilities for the study of phonetics, experimental syntax, infant speech perception and first and second language acquisition.

We have a long tradition of field work-based research and work closely with speakers, collaborators and educators in our local First Nations communities.

Will Bennett's research focuses primarily on phonology, and how it connects to other areas like phonetics, morphology, and syntax. Will also specialized in linguistic fieldwork, particularly on under-studied African languages.

Susanne Carroll's research focuses primarily on second language acquisition & processing, bilingualism, syntax and semantics, with specific interests in input (segmentation, feedback and correction, learner-directed speech), gender acquisition and number acquisition.

Darin Flynn works in phonology, Canadian indigenous languages, and endangered language documentation & revitalization. Darin's multi-faceted work engages with the phonetics-phonology interface, distinctive features, prosodic structure, Wakashan, Algonquian, Dene/Athabaskan, French and Black English.

Amanda Pounder's primary research interests include morphology and historical linguistics, with specific interests in Process and Paradigm Morphology, and word-formation in German.
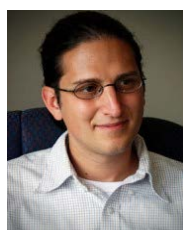
Elizabeth Ritter's research areas are syntax and morpho-syntax, and she specializes in syntactic structure, categories and features. She has worked extensively on both nominal and clausal functional categories, with particular focus on Hebrew and Blackfoot. Her current research interest is in the contribution of animacy to syntactic structure and argument structure.

Dennis Storoshenko's research areas are syntax and semantics, with an interest in using experimental work to explore the interface between the two. Dennis also works on Japanese and Korean syntax, and is interested in research on syntactic theories outside the generative model, especially Tree Adjoining Grammar.

Steve Winters works primarily in phonetics and the study of speech perception. His recent work includes studies on exemplar theories of speech perception, talker identification, voice quality, and the perception of intonation.

Suzanne Curtin, Mary O'Brien and **David Liebesman** are faculty members in Psychology, German and Philosophy who are affiliated with our program. Suzanne's work focuses on infant speech perception and first language acquisition, Mary's work focuses on second language acquisition, phonetics, and German, and David works on the philosophy of language, semantics and pragmatics.

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