

LANGUAGE SCIENCE

Degree Requirements

Requirements listed here are in addition to requirements listed in GCAC-208 Dual-Title Graduate Degree Programs (<https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/gcac/gcac-200/gcac-208-dual-titles/>).

The dual-title Ph.D. degree in Language Science will have the following requirements.

Course work (21 credits of 500-level courses):

Code	Title	Credits
Required Courses		
LNGSC 521	Proseminar in the Language Science of Bilingualism	3
LNGSC 522	Proseminar in Professional Issues in Language Science	3
LING 500 or LING 504	Syntax II Phonology II	3
3 credits, Research methods/statistics in Language Science (such as LING 525, PSY 507, PSY 508)		3
3 credits, Cognitive Neuroscience or Psycholinguistics (such as PSY 520/LING 520, PSY 511)		3
6 credits, Research internships (students will choose one course among the following: CSD 596, GER 596, LING 596, PSY 596, SPAN 596)		6
Total Credits		21

Where these courses also satisfy requirements in the major program, they may be counted as satisfying the requirements of both programs (subject to any limits imposed by the major program), because the requirements of the dual-title degree ensure that students' training will meet the cross-disciplinary goals of the dual-title.

Language Science Research Meetings

Students must participate in weekly Language Science Research meetings each semester in residence.

Foreign Language and English Competency Requirements

The student will fulfill the language requirement specified by the participating department through which the student is admitted to the dual-title degree program.

Qualifying Examination

Students will take a qualifying examination that is administered by the primary program. However, the dual-title degree student may require an additional semester or more to fulfill requirements for the primary program and dual-title program, and the qualifying exam integrates material from both the primary and the dual-title fields (minimally, through the portfolio described in this paragraph); therefore, the qualifying examination may be delayed one semester beyond the normal period allowable. In addition, the student will be required to present a portfolio of work in Language Science to their committee. Such a portfolio would include a statement of the student's interdisciplinary research interests, a plan of future study, and samples of writing that indicate the student's work in Language Science. The qualifying examination committee will be composed of faculty from the primary program, as well as at least one faculty member affiliated with Language Science. The designated

Language Science faculty member may be appointed in the student's primary program, but he or she may also hold a formal appointment with Linguistics. The Language Science member will participate in constructing and grading qualifying examination questions in the area of Language Science.

Ph.D. committee Composition

In addition to the general Graduate Council requirements for Ph.D. committees (<http://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/gcac/gcac-600/phd-dissertation-committee-formation/>), the Ph.D. committee of a Language Science dual-title Ph.D. student will include a representative of the Language Science dual-title program. The student's Ph.D. committee will include faculty from the primary program as well as faculty from Language Science. Faculty members who hold appointments in both the primary program and Language Science may serve in a combined role. If the chair of the Ph.D. committee is not also a member of the Graduate Faculty in Language Science, the member of the committee representing Language Science must be appointed as co-chair.

Comprehensive Examination

The Language Science representative(s) will help to insure that the field of Language Science is integrated into the comprehensive examination.

Dissertation

A dissertation on a topic related to Language Science is required for a dual-title Ph.D. degree in Language Science. Upon completion of the doctoral dissertation, the candidate must pass a final oral examination (the dissertation defense) to earn the Ph.D. degree. The dissertation must be accepted by the Ph.D. committee, the head of the graduate program, and the Graduate School.