

# INTRODUCTION TO LINGUISTICS

**Description:** A general introduction to linguistics, the scientific study of human language, including theoretical and applied linguistics. Introduction to subfields: morphology, phonetics, phonology, syntax, semantics, sociolinguistics, cognitive linguistics. Description of the building blocks of language that define the major subfields of linguistics. Linguistics contribution to other fields of inquiry, including anthropology, philosophy, natural sciences, etc.

**Objectives:** Understand functions of language, conceptual and methodological tools of the academic study of language, the subdisciplines of traditional linguistic theory and of different academic approaches to the study of language.

## Program:

1. Language study
2. Human language; Historical Linguistics
3. Phonology
4. Morphology
5. Syntax
6. Semantics
7. Pragmatics
8. Discourse analysis
9. Sociolinguistics
10. Cognitive linguistics; Psycholinguistics
11. Applied Linguistics
12. Computational Linguistics; Research methods
13. Revision – Practice 1
14. Revision – Practice 2
15. Revision – Practice 3
16. Revision – Practice 4

## Further reading:

- Crystal, D. 1987. *The Cambridge Encyclopedia of Language*. CUP.  
Matthews, P. H. 2003. *Linguistics: A Very Short Introduction*. OUP.  
Robson, M. and Stockwell, P. 2005. *Language in Theory: A Resource Book for Students*. Routledge.

Derivational Morphology

Inflectional Morphology

Languages of the World

Lexical Semantics

Phonetics

Semantic Change

Phonetic Transcription and the International Phonetic Alphabet

Meaning <https://www.routledgehandbooks.com/doi/10.4324/9781315670898-4>

Discourse approaches