

# 175-105 Introduction to Language

<b>Credit Points:</b>	12.500
<b>Level:</b>	Undergraduate
<b>Dates &amp; Locations:</b>	2008, This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, - Taught on campus. .
<b>Time Commitment:</b>	Contact Hours: Two 1-hour lectures (repeat lectures will be available) and a 1-hour tutorial per week. There will be no tutorial in the first week of semester Total Time Commitment: .
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	.
<b>Corequisites:</b>	.
<b>Recommended Background Knowledge:</b>	.
<b>Non Allowed Subjects:</b>	.
<b>Core Participation Requirements:</b>	.
<b>Coordinator:</b>	Dr Rachel Nordlinger
<b>Subject Overview:</b>	This subject is a practical introduction to the nature of human language which gives a conceptual framework for thinking about and discussing language and provides training in basic skills of analysis and description applicable to any language. Central areas of linguistics will be covered using data from languages from all over the world, including speech sounds, word structure, sentence structure, meaning, language learning, and language change.
<b>Assessment:</b>	Problem-solving assignments totalling 2000 words 50% (due throughout the semester) and a 2-hour examination 50% (end of semester).
<b>Prescribed Texts:</b>	An Introduction to Language (Australian edition) (Fromkin, V. et al), Thomson
<b>Recommended Texts:</b>	.
<b>Breadth Options:</b>	This subject potentially can be taken as a breadth subject component for the following courses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Bachelor of Biomedicine</li> <li># Bachelor of Commerce</li> <li># Bachelor of Environments</li> <li># Bachelor of Music</li> <li># Bachelor of Science</li> <li># Bachelor of Engineering</li> </ul> <p>You should visit <b>learn more about breadth subjects</b> (<a href="http://breadth.unimelb.edu.au/breadth/info/index.html">http://breadth.unimelb.edu.au/breadth/info/index.html</a>) and read the breadth requirements for your degree, and should discuss your choice with your student adviser, before deciding on your subjects.</p>
<b>Fees Information:</b>	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, <a href="http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees">http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees</a>
<b>Generic Skills:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># be able to communicate knowledge intelligibly and economically;</li> <li># develop skill in critical thinking and analysis;</li> <li># gain skill in observation and attention to detail;</li> <li># develop skill in thinking in theoretical terms.</li> </ul>

<b>Notes:</b>	Formerly available as 175-004. Students who have completed 175-004 are not eligible to enrol in this subject.
<b>Related Course(s):</b>	Bachelor of Arts Bachelor of Arts(Media and Communication) & Bachelor of Commerce Bachelor of Arts(Media and Communications) Diploma in Arts (English Language) Diploma in Arts (Linguistics) Graduate Certificate in Arts (Linguistics & Applied Linguistics) Graduate Diploma in Arts (Linguistics & Applied Linguistics)