

LING40013 Methods in Sociolinguistic Research

Credit Points:	25
Level:	4 (Undergraduate)
Dates & Locations:	2010, Parkville This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 2, Parkville - Taught on campus.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: 3 Hours of Language Classes per week. Total Time Commitment: 3 x contact hours/week, 12 additional hours/week. Total of 15 hours per week.
Prerequisites:	Admission to fourth-year honours or the Postgraduate Diploma in Linguistics and Applied Linguistics None
Corequisites:	None
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
Core Participation Requirements:	For the purposes of considering requests for Reasonable Adjustments under the Disability Standards for Education (Cwth 2005), and Students Experiencing Academic Disadvantage Policy, academic requirements for this subject are articulated in the Subject Description, Subject Objectives, Generic Skills and Assessment Requirements for this entry. The University is dedicated to provide support to those with special requirements. Further details on the disability support scheme can be found at the Disability Liaison Unit website: http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/
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Subject Overview:	This course is an Honours level introduction to key concepts and approaches in field-based methodologies employed in sociocultural linguistics, with a particular focus on contemporary scholarship that takes a broad approach to language, culture, and society. It will examine current approaches to data collection and analysis in sociolinguistics as well as the use of statistical tools for sociolinguistic investigation. Students will master course concepts by applying them to their own data sets. The course provides students with theoretical knowledge, analytic skills, and professional socialization that will prepare them to pursue original research in sociolinguistics. This is a hands on course and students will be expected to collect different types of language data and analyse this across different methodologies.
Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Students will develop a sound theory-based understanding of methods for collecting and analysing data to be used in addressing sociolinguistic research questions. # Students will develop skills for analysing and presenting sociolinguistic data.
Assessment:	10,000 words of assessable work
Prescribed Texts:	Subject Reader Tagliamonte, S. (2006). <i>Analysing Sociolinguistic Variation</i> . New York: Cambridge University Press
Breadth Options:	This subject is not available as a breadth subject.
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees
Generic Skills:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Applying research skills and critical methods to a field of inquiry # Communicating oral and written arguments and ideas effectively

Related Majors/Minors/ Specialisations:	Linguistics & Applied Linguistics Linguistics and Applied Linguistics Linguistics and Applied Linguistics
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