LING 421: Capstone: Typology-Unity and Diversity of Human Language
Credit hours: 3

Catalog description
This course, an on-site practicum in Linguistics, explores the similarities and differences among the worlds' languages. Students apply their knowledge of phonetics, phonology, morphology, and syntax in describing and analyzing phenomena from a number of languages. The typological perspective that students develop is applied to topics such as word order, morphological typology, case, lexical categories, and valency. In addition to lecture style instruction, students get hands on practice in collecting, transcribing, and analyzing data from different languages through face to face elicitation with native speakers. Instruction builds discipline-specific knowledge and skills for career preparation.

Rationale
Department-Specific Experiential Course Option (minimum 3 credits) This course provides an on-site practicum in Linguistics. Supervised on-site instruction to build discipline-specific knowledge and skills for career preparation, entry, and development. Students are mentored in succeeding in the workforce (oral and written communication, ethics). This course documents student learning of knowledge and skills with formative evaluations and mastery with summative evaluations (rubrics for both oral and written presentations).