

Certificate in Language Learning and Teaching *(for students pursuing a Ph.D. in Linguistics)*

Goals:

A certificate in Language Learning and Teaching will provide formal credentials to students interested in language teaching either as a primary or as a secondary interest and help in the placement of Linguistics Ph.D. graduates in departments which emphasize language studies.

Preparation:

We have had preliminary discussions with colleagues in Spanish and Portuguese, Asian Languages and Culture, Africana Studies and the Graduate School of Education. We have since then also presented the idea of the certificate to German, French, English and Middle Eastern Studies. The idea of having such a certificate has been very positively received. The requirements for the Certificate, given below, are based on these discussions. We note that the certificate would have the added benefit of forging closer ties between Linguistics and other Humanities Departments.

Requirements:

- Two semesters of teaching in a language department or writing program (The Linguistics Department will help students locate instructional opportunities).
- 1 course in Methodology of Language Teaching.
- 2 other courses on such topics as Bilingualism, Second Language Acquisition, Dialects, Language and Culture etc. (preparing them to teach courses of interest to students in language/literature/culture departments).
- Optional: Students will be encouraged to create a teaching portfolio which could include exercises and other teaching aids for an existing course or a syllabus for a new course. If substantive enough, this could substitute for one of the elective courses.

Resources Needed:

None.

Language departments have pledged to make a good faith effort to facilitate the practical component of the certificate. They are not being asked to make a formal commitment to provide instructional opportunities.

Linguistics students would be supported through Linguistics in the normal way during their year of teaching in the language department. That department would transfer the PTL money they would normally spend on those courses to Linguistics. The language department would have complete control on determining suitability of the student for teaching their course.

The courses required for the LLT Certificate are already being taught at Rutgers.

Catalogue Entry:

The Certificate in Language Learning and Teaching, which is awarded separately, requires two semesters of teaching in a language department or writing program, one course in the methodology of language teaching, and two other courses on issues related to language learning and teaching. Students in the Ph.D. program are eligible to pursue this certificate.

List of Courses (non-exhaustive)

	Suggested Courses		
	15:253:522	Bilingual-Bicultural Education	Other Courses
	15:253:537	Sociolinguistics	Other Courses
	01:165:430	Advanced Chinese Grammar (3)	Other Courses
	16:165:504	Advanced Topics in Chinese Language and Linguistics (3)	Other Courses
	16:165:506	Chinese Across the Curriculum (3)	Methodology
	16:165:510	Teaching Chinese through Modern Fiction (3)	Other Courses
	16:940:501	Methodology of Language Teaching and Research	Methodology
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