



# ENGL 271 –INTRODUCTION TO THE STUDY OF LANGUAGE

3 CREDITS

## SYLLABUS

### CATALOG DESCRIPTION

Introduces the study of linguistics including the basic structure of language, first and second language acquisition, bilingualism, and social and regional variation.

Prerequisites: ENGL 111 with a C or better or permission of the instructor

Semester Offered: Fall and Spring

#### **Common Student Learning Outcomes**

*Upon successful completion of San Juan College programs and degrees, the student will demonstrate competency in...*

##### **BROAD AND SPECIALIZED LEARNING**

Students will actively and independently acquire, apply, and adapt skills and knowledge with an awareness of global contexts.

##### **CRITICAL THINKING**

Students will think analytically and creatively to explore ideas, make connections, draw conclusions and solve problems.

##### **CULTURAL AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT**

Students will act purposefully, reflectively, and ethically in diverse and complex environments.

##### **EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION**

Students will exchange ideas and information with clarity in multiple contexts.

##### **INTEGRATING TECHNOLOGIES**

Students will demonstrate fluency in the application and use of technologies, information, or resources in multiple contexts.

*Student work from this class may be randomly selected and used anonymously for assessment of course, program, and/or institutional learning outcomes. For more information, please refer to the Assessment website ([www.sanjuacollege.edu/assessment](http://www.sanjuacollege.edu/assessment)).*

### Course Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to...

1. Apply and adapt skills and knowledge to develop an understanding of human language.
  - A. Understand the nature, properties and functions of language.
  - B. Comprehend the basic principles of the following areas of phonetics, phonology, morphology, grammar, syntax and semantics.
  - C. Understand the basic issues of other areas of linguistic study including language acquisition, pragmatics, discourse analysis, and sociolinguistics.
  - D. Understand the diversity of languages and their fundamental similarities.
  - E. Use basic terminology and notational conventions associated with linguistic study.
  
2. Think analytically and creatively to explore ideas, make connections, draw conclusions and solve problems related to language and language learning.
  - A. Examine and question common assumptions and attitudes about language and language use.

- B. Apply this background in linguistics knowledge to their major of study.
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- 3. Exchange ideas and information with clarity and originality in small groups, class discussions, and presentations.
    - A. Complete collaborative assignments, including observation and analysis.
    - B. Discuss and report course subjects in groups.
    - C. Research and report on linguistics topics using research methods, source documentation organization and format appropriate for the subject and audience.