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**PROGRAM/DEGREE REQUIREMENT CHANGE (MAJOR)**

**SUBMITTED BY:**

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See <http://www.uaf.edu/uafgov/faculty-senate/curriculum/course-degree-procedures/> for a complete description of the rules governing curriculum & course changes.

**PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION:**

<b>DEGREE PROGRAM</b>	Anthropology
<b>Degree Level: (i.e., Certificate, A.A., A.A.S., B.A., B.S., M.A., M.S., Ph.D.)</b>	BA Major

**A. CHANGE IN DEGREE REQUIREMENTS: (Brief statement of program/degree changes and objectives)**

Require ANTH/LING 223 “Sociolinguistics: Language and Inequality” for Anthropology instead of LING 101 “Nature of Language” for fulfilling a requirement for the major.

**B. CURRENT REQUIREMENTS AS IT APPEARS IN THE CATALOG:**

Major—BA Degree

1. ...
2. ...
- 3 Complete the following program (major) requirements:
  - a. Complete the following:
    - ANTH F 211—Fundamentals of Archaeology (3)  
or ANTH 221—Fundamentals of Biological Anthropology (3).....3
    - ANTH F 215—Fundamentals of Social/Cultural Anthropology.....3
    - ANTH F 384—History of Anthropology.....3
    - ANTH F 4110—Senior Seminar.....3
    - LING F 101—Nature of Language .....3

**C. PROPOSED REQUIREMENTS AS IT WILL APPEAR IN THE CATALOG WITH THESE CHANGES:  
(Underline new wording strike through old wording and use complete catalog format )**

Major—BA Degree

1. ...
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- 3 Complete the following program (major) requirements:
  - a. Complete the following:
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or ANTH 221—Fundamentals of Biological Anthropology (3).....3
    - ANTH F 215—Fundamentals of Social/Cultural Anthropology.....3
    - ANTH F 223: Sociolinguistics: Language and Inequality.....3
    - ANTH F 384—History of Anthropology.....3
    - ANTH F 4110—Senior Seminar.....3
    - ~~LING F 101—Nature of Language .....3~~

Show with crosslist:  
ANTH/LING F223

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**D. ESTIMATED IMPACT**

*WHAT IMPACT, IF ANY, WILL THIS HAVE ON BUDGET, FACILITIES/SPACE, FACULTY, ETC.*

This will not have an impact on facilities/space, faculty or budget.

**E. IMPACTS ON PROGRAMS/DEPTS:**

*What programs/departments will be affected by this proposed action?  
Include information on the Programs/Departments contacted (e.g., email, memo)*

Linguistics, this change was discussed and approved at the linguistics faculty meeting on 12/5/2013.

**F. IF MAJOR CHANGE - ASSESSMENT OF THE PROGRAM:**

*Description of the student learning outcomes assessment process.)*

The student learning outcome for BA majors that this change impacts is “a basic understanding of the history of the discipline, including subdisciplinary perspectives and approaches to the study of culture, society, and human development, ... (3) and understanding of cultural and linguistic diversity and the implications of cultural difference for understanding the human condition.” At present, no required course represents the linguistic anthropology subdiscipline or addresses (3). Requiring students to take a linguistic anthropology-specific course will help the department meet its learning outcomes.




The department is reviewing and revising SLOA, but the plan is that student knowledge of subdisciplines, including linguistic anthropology, will be in part assessed through an exit interview for majors and minors.

**JUSTIFICATION FOR ACTION REQUESTED**

The purpose of the department and campus-wide curriculum committees is to scrutinize program/degree change applications to make sure that the quality of UAF education is not lowered as a result of the proposed change. Please address this in your response. This section needs to be self-explanatory. If you drop a course, is it because the material is covered elsewhere? Use as much space as needed to fully justify the proposed change and explain what has been done to ensure that the quality of the program is not compromised as a result.

At present, course content that includes detailed study of linguistic anthropology and anthropological and social approaches to language are not part of the core requirements for the major. LING 101, “The Nature of Language” is a broad survey course of the subfields of linguistics and it does not provide an in depth of exposure to linguistic anthropology (one of the four subfields of anthropology), which was part of the original intent of requiring a linguistics course for majors (as there was a long period without a tenure track linguistic anthropologist on the faculty). Furthermore, all of the other specific course requirements are for courses offered in the anthropology department are taught by anthropology faculty, unlike LING F101, creating a disparity in representation of the linguistic anthropology subfield. Given that a 200-level course that fulfills the four-field learning outcome is now offered in the Anthropology Department, the curriculum should reflect this.

**APPROVALS:**

	Date	2/6/14
Signature, Chair, Program/Department of:	Anthropology	
	Date	2/7/14
Signature, Chair, College/School Curriculum Council for:		
	Date	2/10/14
Signature, Dean, College/School of:	CLA	

**ALL SIGNATURES MUST BE OBTAINED PRIOR TO SUBMISSION TO THE GOVERNANCE OFFICE**

	Date	
Signature, Chair, UAF Faculty Senate Curriculum Review Committee		