Tell us what a first-year student can expect in the Linguistics Graduate Program.
In their first year students take the foundation courses in the discipline. These include core courses in syntax, semantics & phonology, as well as courses in field methods, phonetics, and psycholinguistics.

Do you have any fellowships or other opportunities specific to your program for minority students?
Newly admitted students may be nominated by the department’s faculty admissions committee for the Eugene Cota-Robles Fellowship.

What type of support do first-year graduate students in your program receive?
P.h.D. students receive full financial support in the form of fellowships, graduate research assistantships, and Teaching Assistantships.

When are graduate applications due for your program?
December 15th

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Every year towards the end of the Winter Quarter, the LINGUISTICS AT SANTA CRUZ conference showcases the research of second and third year graduate students. This conference coincides with a visit to campus of prospective graduate students, and it always features a Ph.D. alum of the department as an invited speaker.
Judith L. Aissen (Emerita)  Formal and functional syntax, morphosyntax of Mayan languages, Optimality Theory

Pranav Anand  Formal semantics, theoretical syntax

Adrian Brasoveanu  Semantics and pragmatics, corpus linguistics, Optimality Theory; Romanian, Romance and Balkan languages

Sandra Chung  Syntax, semantics, Austronesian languages

Amy Rose Deal  Syntax, semantics, morphology; Nez Perce, English

Donka F. Farkas  Formal semantics, Romance languages, Hungarian

Jorge Hankamer  Syntax, semantics, morphology, computational linguistics; Turkish

Junko Ito  Phonology, morphology, Optimality Theory; German, Japanese

William A. Ladusaw  Formal semantics and pragmatics, syntax-semantics interface; analysis of negation and polarity phenomena and indefinites

James McCloskey  Syntax, syntax-semantics interface; Celtic languages, non-standard varieties of English

Grant L. McGuire  Experimental phonetics, perceptual learning, phonetic categorization, language-specific perception

Armin Mester  Phonology, grammatical structure and prosodic form, Optimality Theory; Japanese, Latin

Jaye Padgett  Phonology, phonetics, Optimality Theory; Russian

Geoffrey K. Pullum (Emeritus)  English grammar, formal linguistic theory, application of model theory to syntax, philosophy of linguistics

Maziar Toosarvandani  Syntax, semantics, pragmatics, Numic (uto-Aztecan), and Iranian languages

Matthew W. Wagers  Language processing, sentence comprehension, memory and structured representation, psycholinguistics and linguistic theory