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, phonetics and psycholinguistics, as well as courses in field methods or experimental methods.

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 this Fall?
December 15th

Who can I contact for more information?
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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

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 (Emeritus) 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

Ivy Sichel Syntax, semantics, sociolinguistics, Hebrew

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

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