



Build Your Own Language

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COURSES

First-Year Experience Seminar
UGST 109
 1 credit

Introduction to Language
LING 101
 Core Education Social Science (>2)
 4 credits

Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
ANTH 161
 Core Education Social Science (>2)
 Global Perspectives (>GP)
 International Cultures (>IC)
 4 credits

CALENDAR

First FIG Meeting
 You will get to meet your FIG classmates, FIG Assistant (FA), and Faculty before classes start!

Check your FIG page in September to find out more details.

ACADEMIC TEAM

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ABOUT THIS FIG

FYE Seminar

This FIG explores how languages are created and used in fiction, especially in sci-fi and fantasy worlds. Have you wondered how authors create languages to use in world-building? Have you wondered whether the languages used in TV, films, and books could ever exist in real life? Have you been curious about whether people REALLY speak Klingon and Dothraki in the world today? Build Your Own Language will explore these questions and more with our joint interests in linguistics and fiction.

In addition to discussing podcast episodes, exploring language through word games, watching samples of fictional languages in TV and movies, and reading a little more about creators' process in building their world and languages, you'll also create your own language! To do this, you'll have to consider both the structural principles that underlie languages spoken all over the world and the communicative acts that enable us to use language every day to incorporate your language into a fictional world of your own.

Introduction to Language

The course will expose you to how linguists think about and talk about language, enabling you to bring in a new perspective to your interactions with language in the world. As just a few examples: we will discuss concepts in this course that will make you a more knowledgeable citizen of the world, and a more careful consumer of language you encounter around you. In the course you will examine the dynamics of language from individual conversations to society at large, and we will notice ways in which power and prejudice are tied up in language use. You will explore how languages can be similar to and different from one another, and you will learn about language processes going on in your own mind that you may have previously taken for granted.

Introduction to Cultural Anthropology

This course introduces basic concepts in Cultural Anthropology. It will explore cultural and social change in a global world by looking at theories and examples of the work of anthropologists in many different cultural contexts. Through writing and film, you will learn an anthropological perspective on migration, politics, economic systems, media, art, family, and inequality, among other topics. You will also learn how people around the world create, adapt, resist, and change their cultures.

NEXT STEPS

After you're registered for your FIG, you will want to check out the Meet Your FIG page (<https://fyp.uoregon.edu/fall-2022-figs>). This page will have everything you need to know before the beginning of fall term, including how to email your FIG Assistant, your summer assignment, and when you will be meeting your FIG for the first time in September. In order to prepare for your coursework and be notified about important academic deadlines you will want to download the "Canvas" and "Navigate" apps to your devices. Also, be sure to visit the FYE Community page in September, which has all the resources you'll need to achieve success in your first-year (<https://fyp.uoregon.edu/community>). If you have questions about anything, make sure you email your FIG Assistant – they are here to help!



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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8AM					
9AM					
10AM	LING 101 13786 STB 245 10:00am-11:20am	ANTH 161 10983 LIL 282 10:00am-11:20am	LING 101 13786 STB 245 10:00am-11:20am	ANTH 161 10983 LIL 282 10:00am-11:20am	
11AM					
12PM				LING 101 15229 LLCN 125 12:00pm-12:50pm	ANTH 161 10987 ANS 193 12:00pm-12:50pm
1PM					UGST 109 16147 LA 230 1:00pm-1:50pm

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