Linguistics 138: Linguistic Anthropology

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Explore the diversity of ways of categorizing and communicating about the world

An introduction to linguistic anthropology and anthropological linguistics. The course approaches the complex interconnections between language, culture, and cognition; theoretical approaches employed during the past century (structuralism, functionalism, ethnoscience, universalism, linguistic relativity); common case studies (spatial language, colors, classifiers, deixis); verbal art (orality, literacy), linguistic ideology; and ethnolinguistic vitality.

The course also illustrates a wide range of qualitative and quantitative methods (including fieldwork)

Prerequisites: None
GenEd: SS
Minimum 10 double-spaced pages of writing