

LING330: Advanced Sociolinguistics (T2, 2024)

Sociolinguistics, the study of language use in social context, is ripe with real world applications. This course considers how theory and research methods have developed to meet the interests and needs of researchers, as well as contributing to society.

This year, students will have a unique opportunity to work with world renowned scholar in trans linguistics, visiting Ian Gordon Fellow A/Prof Lal Zimman, UC Santa Barbara, who is teaching an intensive in the second half of the course. Lal's research is situated in the interdisciplinary field of sociocultural linguistics and takes a mixed-methods approach to the relationship between language, identity, embodiment, and social power. It also grows from a community-based agenda that centers the experience of transgender people, broadly defined.

Also teaching on the course is Dr Natalia Beliaeva, a second language acquisition scholar, morphologist, and ESOL teacher, including for learners with refugee background. She is interested in the interface between language, identities and ideologies, collaborating on research on Family Language Policies and identity negotiations of Ukrainian migrants in New Zealand Diaspora.

Enrol now (note you need the prereq course LING221: Sociolinguistics, T1, 2024).

