What is Linguistic Anthropology?

Linguistic anthropologists study the role of language in the lives of humans and how it influences and is influenced by social and cultural factors. It is an interdisciplinary field, meaning that it marries anthropology with other forms of linguistics in order to study multiple facets of language. Through increased curiosity and empathy for the ways in which others speak and understand the world, a student who pursues a degree in linguistic anthropology will hone communication, critical thinking, and intercultural skills that will serve as a boon in many careers.

For more info about Linguistic Anthropology visit the Society of Linguistic Anthropology's website.

Who is Hiring Linguistic Anthropologists?

- Diaspora Specialist, Wycliffe Bible Translators
- Proposal Technical Writer, Red Cloud Schools/Maâypiỳa Luita Owalyawa
- Entry Level K-12 French Teachers, Educator’s Ally
- Literacy Tutor, AmeriCorps Literacy Lab
- English Teacher, Pioneer and Beyond Ltd
- Diplomatic Security Special Agent, U.S. Department of State
- Case Manager, Centennial Mental Health Center, Inc.
- Social Worker, Moffitt Cancer Center
- Bilingual Epidemiology Research Coordinator (Spanish), Stanford School of Medicine
- Community Outreach Assistant, Evolve, Inc. (Denver)

Do You Know How Many Languages are Spoken in New York City?

It is estimated that between 600 and 700 languages are spoken in New York City, which is roughly representative of 10% of the total languages spoken in the world. Data from the Endangered Language Alliance (ELA) has been compiled to create an interactive map that you can find at languagemap.nyc/Info/About.

Career Readiness Competencies

- **Professionalism**
  - ANTH 1040 – Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
- **Oral and Written Communication**
  - ANTH 3430 – Anthropological Approaches to Globalization
  - ANTH 3810 – Language, Culture, and Society
  - ANTH 4420 – Museums and Meaning
- **Collaboration**
  - ANTH 4980 – Senior Seminar in Anthropology
  - ANTH 3360 – Applied community studies
- **Leadership**
  - ANTH 3180 – Archaeology and Public Policy
- **Diversity, Equity, and Inclusiveness**
  - ANTH 3820 – Native American Languages and Cultures
- **Critical Thinking**
  - Nearly all courses!

For more information about career outlook, pay, and similar jobs: