STATEMENT OF EXPECTATIONS

Students taking the PhD Field Exam in Linguistics are expected to

• know the basics of linguistic theory in the core areas of linguistics – including phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, and pragmatics – as well as applied linguistics;

• have a familiarity with the primary theorists in each of the above areas;

• demonstrate an understanding of the historical development of linguistics, including the major theoretical advances, especially from the 20th century to the present;

• be familiar with the research methods common in the field;

• be able to perform insightful structural analyses of unfamiliar languages based on appropriate data sets, and

• be able to argue cogently for particular linguistic analyses and/or theories.

Field exams will be evaluated based on the student’s ability to demonstrate mastery of any or all of the above to the extent required by the particular questions on the exam, as well as by the student’s ability to develop an organized and well-written scholarly essay.
READING LIST

GENERAL WORKS:


SYNTAX:


**MORPHOLOGY:**


**SEMANTICS AND PRAGMATICS:**


TESOL AND SECOND LANGUAGE ACQUISITION:


PHONOLOGY:
