

Linguistics 107. Morphology.

Description: A survey of words -- their structures, pronunciations, meanings, and syntactic possibilities -- in a wide sampling of languages. Data from those languages will provide a laboratory for investigating the nature of morphology.

This is a hands-on, discover-it-yourself course, with no textbook.

There are four central concerns of this course:

- developing a set of essential concepts, and terminology to go along with them;
- discovering how languages are organized -- what's possible, and what's common;
- learning how to analyze linguistic data, how to solve problems;
- leaning to give arguments in favor of one analysis or position over alternatives.