Cognitive Science

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

Cognitive Science is the cross-disciplinary study of the structure and processes of human cognition and their computational simulation or modeling. This interdisciplinary program is designed to give students an understanding of questions dealing with human cognition, such as concept formation, visual perception, the acquisition and processing of natural language, and human reasoning and problem solving.

The program draws on relevant courses found within the fields of anthropology, biology, computer science, education, linguistics, philosophy, and psychology, as well as specially designed lower and upper division courses in cognitive science.

Declaring the Major

For prerequisites required before declaring the major, please see the Major Requirements tab. Students interested in the major should consult http://cogsci.berkeley.edu and then schedule an appointment with the student academic adviser (http://cogsci.berkeley.edu/make-appointing-appointment). The Cognitive Science office is located in 140 Stephens Hall.

Honors Program

Cognitive Science majors who wish to graduate with honors must have an overall GPA of 3.30 or higher in all work completed at the University and a 3.30 GPA or higher in the major program at the time of graduation. In addition, they must complete a thesis of high quality, based upon independent study with a member of the Cognitive Science faculty and marked by satisfactory completion of at least three units in any of the following courses: COG SCI H195A, COG SCI H195B, or COG SCI 199. Please visit the Cognitive Science Honors webpage for more information (http://cogsci.berkeley.edu/honors).

Minor Program

There is no minor program in Cognitive Science.

In addition to the University, campus, and college requirements listed on the College Requirements tab, students must fulfill the following requirements specific to their major program.

General Guidelines

1. All courses taken to fulfill major requirements must be taken for a letter grade.
2. A lower division requirement may be repeated one time only with the repeated grade being final. For all other groups, students may repeat courses one time only with the repeated grade being final.
3. All students must complete at least 30 upper division units.
4. A minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 must be maintained in all courses used by the major and for upper division courses used by the major.
5. No more than two upper division courses may be used to simultaneously fulfill requirements in a double major. No more than one upper division course may be used to simultaneously fulfill requirements for a student's minor program, with the exception of minors offered outside of the College of Letters & Science.

6. Please note that COG SCI 198, COG SCI 199, COG SCI H195A, and COG SCI H195B may not be used to fulfill upper division requirements.

For information regarding all requirements outside the major, including breadth requirements, residence requirements and unit requirements, please see the College Requirements tab.

Summary of Major Requirements

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Lower Division Prerequisites

Note: For students (freshmen and transfer) admitted to Berkeley Fall 2015 and later, a “C” grade or higher in each of the three prerequisite courses will be required for admission to the major. This is in addition to a 2.0 overall Berkeley GPA. For students (freshmen and transfer) admitted to Berkeley Spring 2015 and earlier, an average GPA of 2.0 or higher in the three prerequisites is required for admission to the major. This is in addition to a 2.0 overall Berkeley GPA.

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<td>COMPSCI 61A</td>
<td>The Structure and Interpretation of Computer Programs</td>
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<td>Exploring the Brain: Introduction to Neuroscience</td>
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<td>MATH 55</td>
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<td>or COMPSCI 70</td>
<td>Discrete Mathematics and Probability Theory</td>
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Upper Division Distribution Requirements

Select one course from each of the following six areas. Courses that are listed within more than one area of concentration can be counted toward only one requirement.

Cognitive Neuroscience

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<td>COG SCI/PSYCH C127</td>
<td>Cognitive Neuroscience</td>
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<td>PSYCH 117</td>
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Cognitive Psychology

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<td>Scientific Approaches to Consciousness</td>
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Upper Division Electives

In addition to completing the six distribution groups, students must complete at least three additional elective courses. Students may wish to focus elective options on an unofficial concentration, which would consist of three courses, all within one of the six Cognitive Science categories. Students who choose to concentrate should select at least two of their three electives from that area. These two within-area electives, together with that area's distribution requirement, comprise the concentration.

Concentrations are not recorded on the student's transcript or diploma, and progress toward their completion is not tracked by the student's adviser. Please see a Cognitive Science adviser if you have a question about focusing your electives on a particular area.

Select three courses from the following list:

- ANTHRO 149 Psychological Anthropology
- ANTHRO 160A Forms of Folklore
- ANTHRO 161 Narrative Folklore
- COG SCI Quantitative Methods in Linguistics
- COMPSCI 160 User Interface Design and Development
- COMPSCI 170 Efficient Algorithms and Intractable Problems
- COMPSCI 186 Introduction to Database Systems
- COMPSCI/VIS Computer Vision
- EDU 101 Mathematical Thinking and Problem Solving
- EDU 224A Mathematical Thinking and Problem Solving
- EDUC 229A/ PSYCH C223 Proseminar: Problem Solving and Understanding
- INFO 146 Course Not Available
- LINGUIS 106 Metaphor
- LINGUIS 110 Introduction to Phonetics and Phonology
- LINGUIS 115 Phonology and Morphology
- LINGUIS 120 Introduction to Syntax and Semantics
- LINGUIS 121 Logical Semantics
- LINGUIS 123 Pragmatics
- LINGUIS 125 Gesture, Cognition, and Culture
- LINGUIS 130 Comparative and Historical Linguistics
- LINGUIS/ SLAVIC C139 Language Spread
- LINGUIS 151 Language and Gender
- LINGUIS 158 Computational Methods
- LINGUIS 170 History, Structure, and Sociolinguistics of a Particular Language
- LINGUIS 181 Lexical Semantics
- MCELLB 160 Cellular and Molecular Neurobiology
- MCELLB 160L Neurobiology Laboratory
- MCELLB 161 Circuit, Systems and Behavioral Neuroscience
- MCELLB 165 Neurobiology of Disease
- MCELLB 166 Biophysical Neurobiology
- MEDIAST 101 Visual Communications
- MEDIAST 102 Effects of Mass Media
- MUSIC 108/108M Music Perception and Cognition
- NATAMST 151 Native American Philosophy
- PHILOS 128 Philosophy of Science
- PHILOS 138 Philosophy of Society
- PHILOS 140A Intermediate Logic
- PHILOS 140B Intermediate Logic
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American Cultures (http://americancultures.berkeley.edu/students/courses)
American Cultures is the one requirement that all undergraduate students at Cal need to take and pass in order to graduate. The requirement offers an exciting intellectual environment centered on the study of race, ethnicity and culture of the United States. AC courses offer students opportunities to be part of research-led, highly accomplished teaching environments, grappling with the complexity of American Culture.

Quantitative Reasoning
The Quantitative Reasoning requirement is designed to ensure that students graduate with basic understanding and competency in math, statistics, or computer science. The requirement may be satisfied by exam or by taking an approved course.

Foreign Language
The Foreign Language requirement may be satisfied by demonstrating proficiency in reading comprehension, writing, and conversation in a foreign language equivalent to the second semester college level, either by passing an exam or by completing approved course work.

Reading and Composition
In order to provide a solid foundation in reading, writing, and critical thinking the College requires two semesters of lower division work in composition in sequence. Students must complete a first-level reading and composition course by the end of their second semester and a second-level course by the end of their fourth semester.

Breadth Requirements
The undergraduate breadth requirements provide Berkeley students with a rich and varied educational experience outside of their major program. As the foundation of a liberal arts education, breadth courses give students a view into the intellectual life of the University while introducing them to a multitude of perspectives and approaches to research and scholarship. Engaging students in new disciplines and with peers from other majors, the breadth experience strengthens interdisciplinary connections and context that prepares Berkeley graduates to understand and solve the complex issues of their day.

Undergraduate students in the College of Letters & Science must fulfill the following requirements in addition to those required by their major program.

For detailed lists of courses that fulfill college requirements, please review the College of Letters & Sciences (http://guide.berkeley.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/letters-science) page in this Guide.

Entry Level Writing (http://writing.berkeley.edu/node/78)
All students who will enter the University of California as freshmen must demonstrate their command of the English language by fulfilling the Entry Level Writing requirement. Fulfillment of this requirement is also a prerequisite to enrollment in all reading and composition courses at UC Berkeley.

American History and American Institutions (http://guide.berkeley.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/letters-science/american-history-institutions-requirement)
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Unit Requirements
- 120 total units, including at least 60 L&S units
- Of the 120 units, 36 must be upper division units
- Of the 36 upper division units, 6 must be taken in courses offered outside your major department

Residence Requirements
For units to be considered in “residence,” you must be registered in courses on the Berkeley campus as a student in the College of Letters & Science. Most students automatically fulfill the residence requirement by attending classes here for four years. In general, there is no need to be concerned about this requirement, unless you go abroad for a semester or year or want to take courses at another institution or through UC Extension during your senior year. In these cases, you should make an appointment to meet an adviser to determine how you can meet the Senior Residence Requirement.

Note: Courses taken through UC Extension do not count toward residence.

Senior Residence Requirement
After you become a senior (with 90 semester units earned toward your BA degree), you must complete at least 24 of the remaining 30 units in residence in at least two semesters. To count as residence, a semester must consist of at least 6 passed units. Intercampus Visitor, EAP, and UC Berkeley-Washington Program (UCDC) units are excluded.
You may use a Berkeley Summer Session to satisfy one semester of the Senior Residence requirement, provided that you successfully complete 6 units of course work in the Summer Session and that you have been enrolled previously in the college.

**Modified Senior Residence Requirement**

Participants in the UC Education Abroad Program (EAP) or the UC Berkeley Washington Program (UCDC) may meet a Modified Senior Residence requirement by completing 24 (excluding EAP) of their final 60 semester units in residence. At least 12 of these 24 units must be completed after you have completed 90 units.

**Upper Division Residence Requirement**

You must complete in residence a minimum of 18 units of upper division courses (excluding EAP units), 12 of which must satisfy the requirements for your major.

**Mission**

Cognitive Science is an interdisciplinary field of inquiry that is concerned with the acquisition, representation, and use of knowledge by individual minds, brains, and machines, as well as groups, institutions, and other social entities. Because the fundamental purpose of the University, as a social institution, is the preservation, generation, and transmission of knowledge, cognitive science speaks to the heart of the University's mission. By engaging faculty from psychology, philosophy, linguistics, computer science, neuroscience, and anthropology, sociology, and other social sciences in common purpose, cognitive science constitutes a microcosm of the University as a whole. Berkeley's Cognitive Science Program is almost unique in terms of the scope of our approach to the field.

Cognitive Science major students are expected to approach problems of knowledge using the tools of several different disciplines: philosophy, psychology, linguistics, computer science, neuroscience, and various social sciences. This expectation is reflected in a demanding curriculum that moves from a broad introductory survey course (COG SCI 1), to a six-course distribution requirement covering the philosophy of mind, cognitive psychology, linguistics, computational modeling and artificial intelligence, neuroscience, and various social sciences. After fulfilling their distribution requirement, students have the opportunity to concentrate further study in one of these six fields, and to complete an honors thesis.

**Learning Goals for the Major**

By the end of their undergraduate careers, cognitive science majors are expected to understand and critically evaluate:

1. Research and theory in cognitive psychology, including perception, attention, learning, memory, reasoning, problem-solving, judgment, and decision-making.
2. Research and theory in linguistics, with special attention to the relation between language and thought.
3. Various approaches to artificial intelligence, and the computational modeling of cognitive processes.
4. The biological bases of cognitive functions, as uncovered by cognitive neuroscience.
5. Classic and contemporary work on the philosophy of mind, including the mind-body problem, mental causation, freedom of the will, and the nature of consciousness.
6. The sociocultural context of individual cognition, including the social construction and organization of knowledge, cultural differences in cognition, the history of information, etc.

**Skills**

We also expect that students will have acquired the following skills for lifelong learning and effective citizenship:

1. Formulating a well-organized argument supported by evidence.
2. Effectively written, spoken, and graphical communication.
4. Applying critical thinking skills in new and complex situations.
5. Using probability and statistics in reasoning.
6. Understanding the social implications of theory and research in cognitive science for responsible professional, civic, and ethical behavior.

**Graduate Study**

Cognitive Science does not have a graduate program at UC, Berkeley. The cognitive science research community at Berkeley is centered around the Institute of Cognitive and Brain Sciences (http://icbs.berkeley.edu). Students interested in cognitive science graduate study can receive graduate training in programs in affiliated disciplines, e.g., psychology (http://psychology.berkeley.edu), linguistics (http://linguistics.berkeley.edu), neuroscience (http://neuroscience.berkeley.edu). There is presently no separate graduate program specifically for cognitive science. We are exploring the possibility of starting a cognitive science graduate program in the near future.

**Honors**

Students with a 3.3 grade point average overall and in the upper division major courses may apply for admission to the honors program in their senior year. The awarding of honors is contingent upon submission of a thesis of high quality, based upon independent study with a member of the Cognitive Science faculty and marked by satisfactory completion of at least 3 and at most 6 units of course H195A, H195B or 199. Evaluation of the thesis is the responsibility of, first, the faculty supervisor and then of the second reader, both secured by the student. It is the responsibility of the supervisor and the second reader to decide (1) whether the thesis is of honors quality and (2) if of honors quality, which level of honors is to be assigned: Honors, High Honors, or Highest Honors. Please see the Cognitive Science program’s Honors page for additional details. (http://cogsci.berkeley.edu/honors)

**Student Association**

The Cognitive Science Student Association (CSSA) is a great resource for students interested in Cognitive Science. About the CSSA, from their website: The CSSA regularly coordinates academic events such as guest lectures and information sessions; plans social events like professor-student dinners and cog sci themed gatherings; and works with cognitive science faculty and university officials to provide assistance for students. Additionally, the CSSA teaches its own decal on research methodology, has an academic outreach program, and organizes the annual California Cognitive Science Conference. Click here to visit the CSSA website. (http://cssa.berkeley.edu)
Cognitive Science

COG SCI 1 Introduction to Cognitive Science 4 Units
This course introduces the interdisciplinary field of cognitive science. Lectures and readings will survey research from artificial intelligence, psychology, linguistics, philosophy, and neuroscience, and will cover topics such as the nature of knowledge, thinking, remembering, vision, imagery, language, and consciousness. Sections will demonstrate some of the major methodologies.

Introduction to Cognitive Science: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Credit Restrictions: Students will receive no credit for Cognitive Science 1 after completing Cognitive Science N1 or Cognitive Science C1/Education C1. A deficient grade in Cognitive Science C1/Education C1 or Cognitive Science N1 may be removed by taking Cognitive Science 1.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 2 hours of laboratory per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Cognitive Science/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Introduction to Cognitive Science: Read Less [-]

COG SCI 1B Introduction to Cognitive Science 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2017, Fall 2016
This course introduces the interdisciplinary field of cognitive science. Lectures and readings will survey research in such fields as artificial intelligence, psychology, linguistics, philosophy, and neuroscience, and will cover topics such as the nature of knowledge, thinking, remembering, vision, imagery, language, and consciousness.

Introduction to Cognitive Science: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Credit Restrictions: Students will receive no credit for N1 after taking Cognitive Science 1 or Cognitive Science C1/Education C1.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Cognitive Science/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Introduction to Cognitive Science: Read Less [-]

COG SCI N1 Introduction to Cognitive Science 3 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2017 Second 6 Week Session, Summer 2016 First 6 Week Session, Summer 2016 Second 6 Week Session
This course introduces the interdisciplinary field of cognitive science. Lectures and readings will survey research in such fields as artificial intelligence, psychology, linguistics, philosophy, and neuroscience, and will cover topics such as the nature of knowledge, thinking, remembering, vision, imagery, language, and consciousness. Sections will demonstrate some of the major methodologies.

Introduction to Cognitive Science: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Credit Restrictions: Students will receive no credit for N1 after taking Cognitive Science 1 or Cognitive Science C1/Education C1.

Hours & Format

Summer: 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture and 0 hours of laboratory per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Cognitive Science/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.
Formerly known as: C1

Introduction to Cognitive Science: Read Less [-]

COG SCI 88 Data Science and the Mind 2 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2017, Fall 2016, Spring 2016
How does the human mind work? We explore this question by analyzing a range of data concerning such topics as human rationality and irrationality, human memory, how objects and events are represented in the mind, and the relation of language and cognition. This class provides students with critical thinking and computing skills that will allow them to work with data in cognitive science and related disciplines.

Data Science and the Mind: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: This course is meant to be taken concurrently with Computer Science C8/Statistics C8/Information C8. Students may take more than one 88 (data science connector) course if they wish, ideally concurrent with or after having taken the C8 course

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1 hour of laboratory, 0.5 hours of discussion, and 0.5 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Cognitive Science/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Data Science and the Mind: Read Less [-]
COG SCI 98 Directed Group Study 1 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2016, Spring 2015, Fall 2014
Seminar for the group study of selected topics. Topics may be initiated by students subject to the approval of the major advisor. Directed Group Study: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Credit Restrictions: Enrollment is restricted; see the Introduction to Courses and Curricula section of this catalog.
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1-4 hours of directed group study per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Cognitive Science/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

Directed Group Study: Read Less [-]

COG SCI 99 Supervised Independent Study and Research 1 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2011, Fall 2010
Independent study and research by arrangement with faculty. Supervised Independent Study and Research: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Restricted to freshmen and sophomores; consent of instructor
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3-12 hours of independent study per week

Summer:
6 weeks - 5 hours of lecture and 2.5 hours of discussion per week
8 weeks - 3.5 hours of lecture and 2 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Cognitive Science/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

Also listed as: PSYCH C120

Supervised Independent Study and Research: Read Less [-]

COG SCI C100 Basic Issues in Cognition 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2016, Fall 2015, Spring 2015
Theoretical foundations and current controversies in cognitive science will be discussed. Basic issues in cognition—including perception, imagery, memory, categorization, thinking, judgment, and development—will be considered from the perspectives of philosophy, psychology, computer science, and physiology. Particular emphasis will be placed on the nature, implications, and limitations of the computational model of mind.
Basic Issues in Cognition: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Credit Restrictions: Students will receive no credit for C120 after taking 120A.<BR/>Students will receive no credit for Psychology C120 after taking Psychology N120. A student who receives a failing grade in PSYCH N120 is eligible to take PSYCH C120 in order to remove the deficient grade in lieu of repeating PSYCH N120.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Summer:
6 weeks - 5 hours of lecture and 2.5 hours of discussion per week
8 weeks - 3.5 hours of lecture and 2 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Cognitive Science/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Also listed as: PSYCH C120

Basic Issues in Cognition: Read Less [-]
COG SCI N100 Basic Issues in Cognition 3 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2017 Second 6 Week Session
Theoretical foundations and current controversies in cognitive science will be discussed. Basic issues in cognition—including perception, imagery, memory, categorization, thinking, judgment, and development—will be considered from the perspectives of philosophy, psychology, computer science, and physiology. Particular emphasis will be placed on the nature, implications, and limitations of the computational model of mind.

Basic Issues in Cognition: Read More [+]  

Rules & Requirements
Credit Restrictions: Students will receive no credit for Psychology N120 after taking Psychology C120. A student who receives a failing grade in PSYCH c120 is eligible to take PSYCH N120 in order to remove the deficient grade in lieu of repeating PSYCH C120.

Hours & Format
Summer: 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Cognitive Science/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Also listed as: PSYCH N120

Basic Issues in Cognition: Read Less [-]

COG SCI C101 The Mind and Language 4 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2017 8 Week Session, Summer 2016 10 Week Session, Summer 2016 8 Week Session, Spring 2016
Conceptual systems and language from the perspective of cognitive science. How language gives insight into conceptual structure, reasoning, category-formation, metaphorical understanding, and the framing of experience. Cognitive versus formal linguistics. Implications from and for philosophy, anthropology, literature, artificial intelligence, and politics.

The Mind and Language: Read More [+]  

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week
Summer: 8 weeks - 6 hours of lecture and 1.5 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Cognitive Science/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.
Instructors: G. Lakoff, E. Sweetser
Formerly known as: 105
Also listed as: LINGUIS C105
The Mind and Language: Read Less [-]

COG SCI C102 Scientific Approaches to Consciousness 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2014, Spring 2013, Spring 2011
This course will examine the nature of human consciousness from the interdisciplinary perspective of cognitive science. It will cover topics from the philosophy of mind, cognitive linguistics, neuroscience, psychology, and computational models.

Recommended Courses: Psych C120/CogSci C100 OR Psych/CogSci C127

Scientific Approaches to Consciousness: Read More [+]  

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Required courses: Psych 1, Psych W1, Psych 2, OR CogSci 1

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Cognitive Science/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Also listed as: PSYCH C129

Scientific Approaches to Consciousness: Read Less [-]

COG SCI C104 The Mind, Language, and Politics 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2011, Spring 2011, Fall 2009
An analysis of contemporary liberal and conservative thought and language, in terms of the basic mechanisms of mind: frames, prototypes, radial categories, contested concepts, conceptual metaphor, metonymy, and blends. The framing of political discourse. The logic of political thought. The purpose of the course is to provide students interested in political and social issues with the tools to analyze the framing of, and logic behind, contemporary political discourse.

The Mind, Language, and Politics: Read More [+]  

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Cognitive Science/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.
Instructor: G. Lakoff

Also listed as: LINGUIS C104

The Mind, Language, and Politics: Read Less [-]
COG SCI C126 Perception 3 Units
An introduction to principal theoretical constructs and experimental procedures in visual and auditory perception. Topics will include psychophysics; perception of color, space, shape, and motion; pattern recognition and perceptual attention.
Perception: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Consent of instructor. 101 recommended

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Cognitive Science/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Also listed as: PSYCH C126

Perception: Read Less [-]

COG SCI C127 Cognitive Neuroscience 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2018, Fall 2017, Spring 2017, Fall 2016
This course will examine research investigating the neurological basis of cognition. Material covered will include the study of brain-injured patients, neurophysiological research in animals, and the study of normal cognitive processes in humans with non-invasive behavioral and physiological techniques such as functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging (fMRI), electroencephalography (EEG), and transcranial magnetic stimulation (TMS). Topics to be covered include perception, attention, memory, language, motor control, executive control, and emotion.
Cognitive Neuroscience: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Psych/MCB C61 OR Psych 110, or Psych C120/Cog Sci C100, and relevant prerequisites. Courses may be taken simultaneously with Psych C127.<BR/>Enrollment limited to students who are declared Psych, CogSci, MCB, or IB majors, or by permission of the instructor if the student has declared another major

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Cognitive Science/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.

Also listed as: PSYCH C127

Cognitive Neuroscience: Read Less [-]

COG SCI C131 Computational Models of Cognition 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2018, Fall 2016, Fall 2015
This course will provide advanced students in cognitive science and computer science with the skills to develop computational models of human cognition, giving insight into how people solve challenging computational problems, as well as how to bring computers closer to human performance. The course will explore three ways in which researchers have attempted to formalize cognition -- symbolic approaches, neural networks, and probability and statistics -- considering the strengths and weaknesses of each.
Computational Models of Cognition: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Calculus, discrete mathematics, C1, Computer Science 61A, or equivalents

Credit Restrictions: Student will receive no credit for Cognitive Science 131 after taking Cognitive Science C131/Psychology C123. A deficient grade in Cognitive C131/Psychology C123 may be removed by taking Cognitive Science 131.<BR/>

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Cognitive Science/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

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COG SCI C140 Quantitative Methods in Linguistics 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2017, Spring 2016, Spring 2015
An introduction to research using quantitative analysis in linguistics and cognitive science. Students will learn how to use the R programming environment for statistical analysis and data visualization.
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Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: 100 or graduate student standing

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Cognitive Science/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Also listed as: PSYCH C127

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COG SCI C142 Language and Thought 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2017, Summer 2016, Spring 2016
This seminar explores the relation of language and thought. Is language uniquely human, and if so, what does this reveal about the human mind? Does the particular language you speak affect the way you think, or do human languages reflect a universal conceptual repertoire? The goal of this class is to familiarize you with a set of classic arguments on these themes, together with current research that evaluates these arguments, through weekly reading and discussion.

COG SCI 190 Special Topics in Cognitive Science 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2018, Fall 2017, Fall 2016
Selected topics in the study of Cognitive Science.

COG SCI C147 Language Disorders 3 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2015 10 Week Session, Summer 2015 Second 6 Week Session, Spring 2013
An introduction to experimental and theoretical research on language disorders, particularly acquired aphasia in adults. Major course themes include the relationship between normal and pathological language, and the usefulness of linguistic analysis for empirical research. Topics include phonetic, phonological, morphological, semantic, syntactic, and pragmatic aspects of language disorders in mono- and multilingual speakers of typologically diverse languages.

COG SCI H195A Special Study for Honors Candidates 1 - 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2013, Spring 2012, Fall 2011
Independent study and preparation of an honors thesis under the supervision of a faculty member.

Rules & Requirements
- Prerequisites: Consent of instructor
- Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit as topic varies. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format
- Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of seminar per week
- Additional Details
- Subject/Course Level: Cognitive Science/Undergraduate
- Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.

Rules & Requirements
- Prerequisites: Linguistics 100 or consent of the instructor
- Hours & Format
- Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
- Summer: 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week
- Additional Details
- Subject/Course Level: Cognitive Science/Undergraduate
- Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
- Instructor: Regier
- Also listed as: LINGUIS C142

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COG SCI H195B Special Study for Honors Candidates 1 - 3 Units
Independent study and preparation of an honors thesis under the supervision of a faculty member.
Special Study for Honors Candidates: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Open only to senior cognitive science majors in the honors program
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 units. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 units.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Cognitive Science/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.
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COG SCI 197 Academic Internship Credit 1 - 3 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2017 10 Week Session
Academic internship credit for students pursuing an internship related to their studies in the Cognitive Science Program. Limited to Cognitive Science declared majors with at least 60 units, and a 2.0 GPA.
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Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0-7 hours of independent study per week
Summer: 10 weeks - 4-11 hours of independent study per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Cognitive Science/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.
Academic Internship Credit: Read Less [-]

COG SCI 198 Directed Group Study 1 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2016, Fall 2015, Spring 2015
Seminar for the group study of selected topics. Topics may be initiated by students subject to the approval of the major advisor.
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Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Upper division standing and consent of instructor
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1-4 hours of directed group study per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Cognitive Science/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.
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COG SCI 199 Independent Study in Research 1 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2015, Fall 2014, Spring 2013
Independent study and research by arrangement with faculty.
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Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Restricted to juniors and seniors
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1-4 hours of independent study per week
Summer: 8 weeks - 1.5-7.5 hours of independent study per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Cognitive Science/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.
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