

When I first started linguistics, it was as a hobby subject. However, my first year in doing linguistics gave me so much more than I expected, and gave me so many different perspectives on language that I had to make it my major.

I had started off my degree majoring in psychology, due to a fascination I had with things people did in the real world, and what might have caused them to do it. The linguistics course I did was not even a required one for a major in linguistics, however it had everything I looked for in psychology and more, just in a different direction and looking at different things. How language came to be and why, what does it mean to communicate, what does it even mean to be polite, linguistics covers such a wide range of topics.

After I finished my first year and started applying for my second, I had decided to swap my major from psychology to linguistics thanks to those introductory courses.

Even though I swapped majors, I was still able to pursue psychology through my linguistics. Linguistics is just that kind of course, multi-disciplinary, and crosses into a multitude of different places and pathways. It gives such a unique perspective into how our social world works, that whenever I speak to people or listen to those around me speak, I find myself hyper aware of all the little things we humans do with language, so much that I doubt I'll ever be able to look at the world the same way.