

# Global Cultures and Languages (GCL) - Courses

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GCL 306 Cr.3

### **Introduction to Second Language Acquisition**

This course is designed as an introduction to the field of second language acquisition. It surveys the different theories of second language acquisition including inter-language, the role of first languages, child first- and second- language acquisition, Universal Grammar, Input and Output, the role of formal instruction, the lexicon, and the influence of context. Prerequisite: junior standing & one of the following: AP foreign language score of 3 or higher; placing into 201-level or higher foreign language course; score 70 or higher on La Crosse Battery (non-native speakers of English); grade "B" or better in 102-level or higher foreign language course taken at UWL (taught in foreign language). Offered Fall.

GCL 406 Cr.3

### **Language Assessment and Testing**

This course is designed as an introduction to the field of second language assessment and testing. It surveys the different approaches to second language assessment and testing including language proficiency, language aptitude, summative and formative assessments, the assessment context, assessment tools construction, working with assessment data to improve language lessons. Prerequisite: GCL 306. Offered Spring.