The Buckeye Language Network

is pleased to announce:

The Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization
in the Language Sciences

The Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization (GIS) in the Language Sciences (LS) draws from diverse fields of study, including Computer Science and Engineering, Communication, English, Education, Linguistics, Philosophy, Psychology, Speech and Hearing Science, and all the foreign languages. The study of language and its use from a variety of viewpoints is a common thread among these departments. The GIS-LS offers great flexibility to students as it allows a choice among five different focus areas that will allow students to take courses that complement their major.

These areas of focus include:
- Language and Cognition
- Language and Brain Function
- Language and Society
- Language and Technology
- Language Description and Fieldwork

Students pursuing the GIS-LS will work closely with an advisor who will help students select courses from one of the areas of focus. The Graduate Advisory Committee for the GIS-LS will then approve the list of selected courses.

Coursework Requirements
The GIS-LS consists of 10 hours of graduate level coursework. 9 of the 10 total hours must consist of at least three different courses that must be completed outside of the student's home program. At least 9 hours must be from outside the home graduate program but may include cross-listed courses.

The coursework consists of the core course Psychology 6700/German 6700 Introduction to the Language Sciences plus three other courses in a given focus area which collectively add up to at least 10 hours of graduate-level course work.

Courses taken within the student’s home department must be at the 6000-level and above. Cross-listed courses can be included and it is recommended that the student register in a department other than his/her home department.

If a student takes courses from two or more departments outside the major department, the student will be completing a Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization in the Language Sciences.
If the required coursework only includes courses from two departments (including the major department), the student will be completing a Graduate Interdisciplinary Minor in the Language Sciences. For more information contact: Carmen Taleghani-Nikazm (taleghani-nikazm.1@osu.edu) or Leslie Moore (moore.1817@osu.edu).