Come and discover the exciting relationship between language and culture! In this course, you'll learn how to analyze language as both the reflection and shaper of culture. You'll investigate fascinating things like taboo words, euphemisms, slang, ritual languages, folk terminologies, and attitudes toward the way people speak. You'll find out about male vs. female discourse, Black English Vernacular, Puerto Rican Spanish and English, and creole languages around the world. You'll also get hands-on exposure to how linguistic anthropologists and sociolinguists carry out field research.


**Methods of Evaluation:**
- Consistent attendance \  
- Active participation in class discussions 25%  
- Completion of weekly readings /  
- Midterm exam 25%  
- Oral presentation on research topic 25%  
- Research paper 25%