

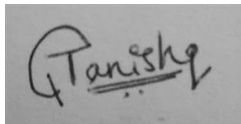
The Linguistics department at the University of Mumbai is a fun and dedicated bunch, comprising of enthusiastic professors. Linguistics as a subject is niche, and requires a certain temperament from both sides of the classroom. However, the department does not follow strict distinction between a teacher and a student. There are plenty of opportunities available to interact with peers, professors who perhaps don't teach your batch, and senior students. In my personal experience as a student, I enjoyed this facet of accessibility and support during my studies.

Students are encouraged to undertake an enquiry based approach, challenging their own notions of teaching and learning. I've had the freedom to study topics that interest me and received little nudges at the right time to help me make academic choices. The best part about the faculty is that they introduce linguistics in the simplest of ways, and build over it, without any assumption that a student possess certain knowledge prior to the course. During one's study, there are engaging guest lectures and workshops that add to the experience and prove valuable in the overall scheme of things.

I personally took up linguistics to discover more about language, and would recommend the department to anyone who might even possess the slightest curiosity for the same. The department is sure to nurture that curiosity and create a skilled linguist!

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