## **Research Topics**

## Diné Bizaad Naalkaah / Navajo Language Academy Summer 2013

10:15 – 11:30, Room 199

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## Goal of class is to explore the following questions:

- 1. What is theoretical linguistics like? What methodologies are used? What kinds of topics do linguists study?
- 2. What is the relationship between theoretical linguistics and community members?
- **3.** What goals and outcomes can linguistics have? How can linguistic research be applied towards goals like documentation and language teaching?

Class discussion will be designed to address these questions in more detail. Activities will focus on gaining hands-on experience in linguistic research and applying linguistic research to participants' interests and goals.

## **Course requirements:**

- Attendance and class participation
- Short writing assignments
- Final project and presentation

Course website: http://blogs.umass.edu/eba/nla

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