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FOREWORD

Linguistics has been taught at the University for a number of years. It became a formal Division attached to the Philosophy Department at the beginning of 1979. A full-time Head of Division was appointed in 1981. Linguistics became a Department in January 1988 and a professor was appointed.

Research interests currently emphasised are phonology, syntax, semantics, language typology, sociolinguistics, psycholinguistics, historical linguistics, applied linguistics, lexicography, discourse analysis, Australian Aboriginal languages, Papuan languages, African languages, South-East Asian languages and Germanic languages.

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Phonetics, phonology, historical linguistics, sociolinguistics, Asian languages

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Syntax, historical linguistics, Germanic languages, language contact, typology

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In order to mark the beginning of Linguistics as a Department in its own right, we present this initial volume of the La Trobe Working Papers in Linguistics. It is anticipated that this will be an annual publication providing both staff and students in Linguistics - as well as any associated disciplines - at La Trobe an opportunity to present their current work.

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The papers are available on an exchange basis or on request for a cost of \$10 (postage included).