EDUTL 5700
Training in Informal Science Outreach
aka the “COSI Course” or the “Language Pod Course”

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Hours of instruction T 2-4 pm
Classroom Stillman 135
https://odee.osu.edu/stillman-hall-0135
3 credits

Open to graduate & undergraduate students
Cross-listed at Ling 5700 & Psyc 5700
Students may repeat this course

This course provides hands-on training in informal science outreach at the Center of Science and Industry (COSI @ http://cosi.org/). You will work at the Language Sciences Research Lab (http://bln.osu.edu/LanguagePod.php), a working linguistics lab inside the museum (http://www.cosi.org/exhibits/life). You will learn about linguistics research and be trained in how to communicate language sciences information to the public.

You will spend 3 to 6 hours per week at COSI, explaining the language research to visitors, conducting demonstrations about language science, and assisting in recruitment for ongoing research studies. These COSI hours will replace some regularly scheduled classes and will be scheduled at various times in consultation with students and will include some evening and weekend hours.

On campus meetings will be held in one of OSU’s Innovative Spaces. For more information on the Innovative Spaces Program, which promotes transformative teaching and learning, visit https://odee.osu.edu/innovative-spaces.

Following successful completion of this course, you will be able to communicate scientific understanding of language effectively to diverse audiences by drawing on principles and practices of informal science education.

If you have any questions about the course and/or how it might fit with your current research interests and activities, please contact the instructor.