

# LING 596

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CLASS  
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## AI That Can Lie:

## Hype, Hope, and Limits of Large Language Models



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### CLASS DESCRIPTION

Basic history and structural overview of artificial intelligence language models (like ChatGPT) and their emerging role in society. Strengths, weaknesses, perceptions, misperceptions. Ethical issues and applications.

### LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Explain the basic workings of LLMs, and how they compare to older computer language systems and human language production, to a general audience
- Evaluate the successes and failures of LLM-generated texts for different applications
- Critique and contribute to discussions of LLMs (and AI more generally) in media and in academia

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