

MA in Linguistics

Admission Requirements

Note: Effective Fall 2018, new students are not being admitted to this program. Contact the program directly for more information.

Applicants are considered on an individual basis. The program will accept and review applications for the fall semester only. Transcripts for all undergraduate work must be uploaded along with all other requirements.

In addition to the Graduate College minimum requirements, applicants must meet the following program requirements (for details, please consult the department website).

- **Baccalaureate Field** No restrictions. Prior academic work should include the equivalent of at least two years of a foreign language and a broad background in the humanities and social or natural sciences. Applicants may offer backgrounds in education rather than in the liberal arts.
- **Grade Point Average** At least 3.00/4.00 for the final 60 semester hours (90 quarter hours) of undergraduate study.
- **Minimum English Competency Score**
 - **TOEFL** 95, with minimum subscores of Reading 24, Listening 24, Speaking 24, and Writing 22 (iBT Test); 60, with subscores of Reading 19, Listening 17, Writing 21 (revised Paper-Delivered Test), **OR**,
 - **IELTS** 7.0, with subscores of 6.5 for all four subscores, **OR**,
 - **PTE-Academic** 54, with subscores of Reading 51, Listening 47, Speaking 53, and Writing 56.
- **Letters of Recommendation** Three required. Letters must be from professors who are familiar with the applicant's recent work. Those with teaching experience may submit letters from their supervisors.
- **Personal Statement** Required; 250 words; the statement should address the applicant's reasons for wishing to do graduate work in linguistics and the relationship of this work to the applicant's professional and other goals. Applicants who are not native speakers of English must submit a four- to five-page summary of their educational experience, emphasizing work in English and other literatures and languages and concluding with a statement of reasons for wanting to do graduate work in the United States; this replaces the 250-word statement required of other applicants.
- **Nondegree Applicants** Nondegree applicants must submit a transcript from their baccalaureate institution.

Degree Requirements

In addition to the Graduate College minimum requirements, students must meet the following program requirements:

- **Minimum Semester Hours Required** Varies by option. TESOL/ Applied Linguistics with thesis, 44 and TESOL/Applied Linguistics with practicum, 47.
- **Course Work** At least 12 hours must be at the 500 level.

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
LING 405	Introduction to General Linguistics	
LING 483	Methodology of Second Language Teaching	
LING 531	Grammar for TESOL	

LING 583	Materials and Curriculum Development in Second Language Teaching
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Selective Courses A

Select two of the following:

LING 440	Language and Gender
LING 480	Sociolinguistics
LING 556	Second Language Learning
LING 559	Seminar in Linguistics
LCSL 567	

Selective Courses B

Select two of the following:

LING 487	Computer Assisted Language Learning
LING 558	Seminar in Applied Linguistics
LING 586	Second Language Assessment
ENGL 482	Campus Writing Consultants
ENGL 555	Teaching College Writing

Electives

One additional course from selective list A or B, or related course, to be approved by an advisor

- **Comprehensive Examination** Required; written. Students cannot take the examination more than twice.
- **Thesis, Project, or Course-Work-Only Options** Students must complete either a thesis or a practicum. Students must obtain departmental approval before undertaking a thesis. Students must earn 8 hours of LING 598 for thesis research or 2 hours of LING 593 and 9 hours of LING 594 for a practicum.

Interdepartmental Concentrations

Students earning a graduate degree in this department may complement their courses by enrolling in select concentrations after consulting with their graduate advisor. Interdepartmental concentrations available for this degree include:

- [Gender and Women's Studies](#)