

LINGUISTICS, APPLIED

College of Liberal Arts
Linguistics Program
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M.A. Degree

Minimum Requirements for Degree: 30 credits

Linguistics is the study of language and covers a variety of subjects including theories of grammar and how we produce language. It has a number of applications, including language teaching, teaching of English as a second or foreign language, and documentation of endangered languages.

Graduate students in applied linguistics may pursue a general program or develop a concentration in either language documentation or second language acquisition and teacher education. Students are expected either to have or to develop proficiency in at least one language other than English, as demonstrated by a proficiency exam or a comparable measure determined by the student's graduate committee. Students pursuing certification in Second Language Acquisition and Teacher Education must demonstrate proficiency in the language they intend to teach. The general program provides students with a practical foundation in linguistics but remains broad enough to allow exploration of a variety of possible thesis topics.

Language documentation is designed to provide practical foundations in linguistics, techniques of fieldwork and documentation, with special focus on Alaska Native languages.

Second Language Acquisition and Teacher Education is designed for students interested in teaching English as a second language, a foreign or Alaska Native language. It is designed to provide theoretical and practical foundations in second language acquisition, language teaching, materials development, and language assessment.

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1. Complete the general university requirements (page 234).
2. Complete the master's degree requirements (page 234).
3. Complete the following core courses:
LING F600—Research Methods3
LING F601—Principles of Linguistic Analysis3

4. Complete one of the following concentrations:

General

- a. Complete the following:
LING F602—Second Language Acquisition3
LING F603—Phonetics and Phonology3
LING F604—Morphology and Syntax3
- b. Complete three of the following:
LING F610—Theory and Methods of Second Language Teaching...3
LING F611—Curriculum and Materials Development3
LING F612—Language Assessment.....3
LING F620—Semantics.....3
LING F627—Description and Documentation.....3
LING F630—Historical Linguistics.....3
LING F631—Field Methods I.....3
LING F634—Field Methods II.....3
LING F650—Language Policy and Planning.....3
- c. Complete two electives approved by graduate committee.

Language Documentation

- a. Complete the following:
LING F603—Phonetics and Phonology3
LING F604—Morphology and Syntax3
LING F627—Description and Documentation.....3
LING F631—Field Methods I.....3
LING F634—Field Methods II.....3
- b. Complete one elective approved by graduate committee.

Second Language Acquisition Teacher Education

- a. Complete the following:
LING F602—Second Language Acquisition3
LING F610—Theory and Methods of Second Language Teaching...3
- b. Complete three of the following:
LING F611—Curriculum and Materials Development3
LING F612—Language Assessment.....3
LING F650—Language Policy and Planning.....3
LING F660—Internship3
- c. Complete one elective approved by graduate committee.

5. Complete one of the following:
LING F698—Non-thesis Research/Project (6)
or LING F699—Thesis (6)6
6. Minimum credits required30