APPLIED LINGUISTICS (M.A.)

The M.A. in Applied Linguistics prepares students for careers in a variety of professions where an understanding of language is essential. Students may choose to concentrate their studies in one of several areas. Among these areas are second language learning and teaching, TESL, discourse analysis, computational linguistics, language policy and language planning. As an example, students who are interested in the interaction between language and society might choose to take APLN 530, APLN 532, and APLN 534 as three of their electives.

Students in other programs may elect Linguistics courses with their Graduate Program Coordinator’s prior approval.

Program Requirements

Required Courses

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Required Electives

Select 18 credits from the following: 18

Select 6-18 credits from the following:

- APLN 510 Discourse Analysis
- APLN 520 Current Theories of Second Language Acquisition
- APLN 530 Language Policy and Language Planning
- APLN 540 Literacy
- APLN 550 Computational Linguistics
- APLN 560 Translation Theory
- APLN 570 The Structure of American Sign Language
- APLN 580 Corpus Linguistics
- APLN 591 Topics in Cognitive Linguistics

Select 0-12 credits from the following:

- APLN 512 Cross-Cultural Discourse Analysis
- APLN 518 Forensic Linguistics
- APLN 522 Sociocultural Theory and Second Language Acquisition/Learning
- APLN 524 Advanced Structure of American English
- APLN 525 Methodology of Teaching ESL
- APLN 526 Computer-Assisted Language Instruction
- APLN 528 Language Testing and Assessment
- APLN 532 Language and Culture in Minority Education
- APLN 534 Languages in Contact
- APLN 535 Language Policy in Nations in Transition
- APLN 536 Languages of the USA
- APLN 538 Cross-Cultural Perspectives on Language Socialization
- APLN 542 Cross-cultural Perspectives on Literacy
- APLN 544 Linguistics and Reading
- APLN 552 Current Issues in Natural Language Processing
- APLN 565 Lexicography
- APLN 582 Language and Mobile Communication

Total Credits 37

1 Those with linguistics background may substitute another elective with advisor approval.