LONDON’S GLOBAL UNIVERSITY

APPLIED LINGUISTICS MA / 2017/18 ENTRY

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This MA explores language from a wide range of perspectives. It is designed to develop understanding of key concepts and issues related to applied linguistics and English language education globally, while also engaging students in the theoretical and empirical investigation of real-world situations, contexts and issues in which language plays a crucial role.

**Degree summary**

This programme will provide students with insight into applied linguistics and language education from global, bilingual, cognitive, discourse, and socio-cultural perspectives. It will also develop students' capacity to analyse, evaluate and synthesise primary and secondary sources as well as helping them to design research.

The Department of Culture, Communication and Media (CCM) is committed to excellence in teaching, research and consultancy across a range of areas including applied linguistics.

One of the key aims of UCL Institute of Education’s Centre for Applied Linguistics is to seek external funding for high-quality research and consultancy in the broad field of applied linguistics, including discourse analysis, bilingualism and multilingualism, second language acquisition, intercultural communication, linguistic ethnography, semiotics, and language-in-education policy and practice, and undertake such research.

It also aims to provide research input into teaching programmes and doctoral supervision in areas of applied linguistics and global English language education.

This programme is delivered through a combination of lectures, workshops, projects, supervisory tutorials, student presentations, and student-led discussions. Within tutor-led sessions, students often engage in individual, pair and group tasks which are then fed back to the plenary. Students are assessed through written coursework, oral presentation, and the dissertation. Alternative modes of assessment may be a feature of some modules.

**Accreditation**

The MA Applied Linguistics is a recognised training programme in the Linguistics Pathway of the ESRC Doctoral Training Partnership (DTP). Students wishing to apply for an ESRC PhD studentship can qualify for consideration for this studentship by following this MA.

**Degree structure**

Mode: Full-time: 1 year; Part-time: 2 years; Flexible: up to 4 years
Location: London, Bloomsbury

Full-time students will normally have lectures two days per week during the autumn and spring terms. Part-time students will attend lectures one day per week.

Students undertake modules to the value of 180 credits. The programme consists of one core module (30 credits), three optional modules (90 credits) and a research dissertation (60 credits).

For a PG Diploma the requirement is one core module (30 credits) and three optional modules (90 credits).

For a PG Certificate the requirement is one core module (30 credits) and two optional modules (60 credits).

**CORE MODULE**

- Discourse, Society and Culture (30 credits)

**OPTIONAL MODULES (INDICATIVE LIST):**

- Bilingualism and Multilingualism
- English in Diverse World Contexts
- Fundamentals of Second and Foreign Language Teaching
- Language and Identity
- Language at Work: Communication in Professional, Institutional and Cultural Contexts
- Language Testing and Assessment
- Materials Development for Language Teaching
- Multimodal Communication
- Second Language Acquisition
- Sociolinguistics and Sociocultural Theory
- Early Childhood Education
- Education and Development in Asia
- Education and International Development: Concepts, Theories and Issues
- Literacy Practice in Writing and Comprehension

**DISSERTATION/RESEARCH PROJECT**

All students are required to write a 2,500-word research proposal which leads to the submission of a 15,000-word dissertation on a topic in applied linguistics.
Your career

Graduates of this programme include university and college lecturers, senior managers and directors of study in private and state sector schools, textbook and materials writers, editors and publishers, education journalists, NGO project officers, education consultants, policy advisers and researchers, and consultants in the aviation industry.

Employability

This programme not only provides an outstanding foundation for those hoping to undertake PhD research and pursue an academic career, but is also popular with students wishing to go into education or develop their career internationally. Small group discussions and debates on the programme help students to acquire strong presentation and negotiation skills. Likewise, the analytical and research skills gained by students are highly valued by employers from a range of sectors. There are many additional activities available, both within the department and the wider UCL community, to help students focus on employability skills whilst they are here, for example departmental talks and other networking opportunities.
Entry requirements

Normally a minimum of a second-class UK Bachelor’s degree in a relevant subject (e.g. English, languages, linguistics, communication), or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard is required.

English language proficiency level

If your education has not been conducted in the English language, you will be expected to demonstrate evidence of an adequate level of English proficiency.

The level of English language proficiency for this programme is: **Good**.

Information about the evidence required, acceptable qualifications and test providers is provided at: www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/english-requirements

Your application

Students are advised to apply as early as possible due to competition for places. Those applying for scholarship funding (particularly overseas applicants) should take note of application deadlines.

When we assess your application we would like to learn:

- why you want to study Applied Linguistics at graduate level
- why you want to study Applied Linguistics at UCL
- what particularly attracts you to the chosen programme
- how your academic and/or professional background meets the demands of this challenging programme
- where you would like to go professionally with your degree

Together with essential academic requirements, the personal statement is your opportunity to illustrate whether your reasons for applying to this programme match what the programme will deliver.

Successful applicants to this programme will be required to pay a tuition fee deposit dependent on their mode of study and fee status as given below:

- UK/EU full-time: £2,000
- Overseas full-time: £2,000

Further details can be found on the Fees and funding page.

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The tuition fees shown are for the year indicated above. Fees for subsequent years may increase or otherwise vary. Further information on fee status, fee increases and the fee schedule can be viewed on the UCL Current Students website.

Fees for flexible, modular study are charged pro-rata to the appropriate full-time Master’s fee taken in an academic session.

Full details of funding opportunities can be found on the UCL Scholarships website: www.ucl.ac.uk/scholarships

APPLICATION DEADLINE

All applicants: 31 May 2017

Details on how to apply are available on the website at: www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/apply

CONTACT

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EU referendum

For up-to-date information relating to specific key questions following the UK’s decision to leave the EU, please refer to www.ucl.ac.uk/eu-referendum

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