MA in Applied Linguistics (TESOL)
Programme Overview

The MA in Applied Linguistics (TESOL) programme is an advanced academic graduate degree that provides language teachers with the sound theoretical foundation and practical skills needed for language teaching and other related work in educational contexts.

The programme caters to the needs of language teachers of different backgrounds from the local school system (primary to JC) to the tertiary institutions and the private sector. The comprehensive programme also caters to the needs of both experienced language instructors or administrators, as well as professionals in other fields who are considering a mid-career switch.

Unique Features

- Curriculum suitable for all teachers (public schools, private schools, tertiary institutions), and both experienced and novice teachers
- Comprehensive core curriculum, and a wide range of specialised electives suitable for the TESOL context
- Taught by experienced and highly-qualified local and international faculty
- Flexibility of blended learning, with face-to-face seminars, online recorded lectures, webinars, and other e-learning tools
- Part-time programme with emphasis on building a supportive environment that encourages and motivates candidates

Taught by Experienced Faculty

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Programme Structure

The MA in Applied Linguistics (TESOL) programme (60 CU) consists of ten courses (5 CU each) and a Research Project (10 CU) which can be substituted with two additional courses. The ten courses comprise six compulsory core courses and four electives to be selected from a basket of ten electives.*

**Six Core Courses:**
- Fundamental Aspects of Language Structure
- Fundamental Aspects of Language Meaning
- Sociolinguistics and Education
- Second Language Acquisition and Pedagogy
- TESOL Methods
- TESOL Curriculum

**Electives (to pick four)*:**
- Global English and Language Teaching
- Classroom Discourse
- Literacy, Language and Education
- Pragmatics and TESOL
- Pedagogical Grammar
- Materials Development
- Language Testing and Evaluation
- English for Specific Purposes
- Academic Discourse: English in a Global Context
- Research Methods in Applied Linguistics

**Research Project, or**
**Two electives in lieu of Research Project**

Not all electives will be offered in a given year or semester.
Teaching Schedule

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Admission Criteria

- Singapore citizen, permanent resident or resident in Singapore
- At least 21 years old
- A Bachelor’s degree in English Studies, Linguistics, Education or related fields from a recognised institution. Applicants with other qualifications may also be considered
- Language requirement for applicants whose Bachelor’s degree is not in English Studies or Linguistics:
  - An excellent score in the English Proficiency Assessment to be conducted by SIM University
- Additional language requirement for applicants whose native language or medium of undergraduate instruction is not English:
  - TOEFL PBT ≥ 580, with (preferably) a TWE of 5, or
  - TOEFL (computer test) ≥ 237, or
  - TOEFL iBT ≥ 85, with a minimum of 22 in writing, or
  - IELTS ≥ 6.5, with no sub-score below 6.

Graduation Requirements

Candidates must attain a Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of at least 3.0 (B-), and pass all courses and the Research Project (if applicable).

Results for TOEFL/IELTS must be obtained within the last 5 years (of commencement of proposed study)

For more information on the MA in Applied Linguistics (TESOL), please visit unisim.edu.sg/TESOL
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