MA IN APPLIED LINGUISTICS (TESOL)

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES & BEHAVIOURAL SCIENCES
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 and novice 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

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 of six compulsory core courses and four electives to be selected from a basket of ten electives.*

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

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

Elective Courses (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
Admissions

Applicants should be Singapore citizens, permanent residents or residents in Singapore. In addition, applicants will need to meet these minimum requirements:

- A Bachelor's degree in English Studies, Linguistics, Education or related fields from a recognised institution.
- Applicants with other appropriate qualifications may also be considered
- At least 21 years of age
- Language requirements 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 Singapore University of Social Sciences
- Additional language requirements 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.

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

Tuition Fees

Please visit suss.edu.sg for current tuition fees.

Concession for Alumni

SUSS offers the following course fee concessions:
1. Applicants who are 60 years old and above will enjoy a 20% course fee concession.
2. Applicants who are graduates (at Doctoral, Master's or Bachelor's level) of SUSS and Singapore Institute of Management will enjoy a 20% course fee concession.

Students will only enjoy one of the two categories of concession. The above concessions are applicable to all graduate programmes (excluding Graduate Certificate) offered and awarded by SUSS unless specified otherwise. The concessions are not applicable to students under any scholarship or sponsorship schemes as well as courses offered with external institutions/organisations. The concessions are also not to be used concurrently with any other concessions/grants.

To encourage further education and upgrading by alumni, our alumni (graduates of Bachelor's, Master's, or Doctoral degrees awarded by SUSS) will enjoy an additional 30% course fee concession for the first two courses when they enrol for a Graduate Diploma and/or Master's programme with SUSS.

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