

M.A. in Bilingualism and Applied Linguistics

Admission Requirements

1. Bachelor's degree from an accredited institution in the U.S. or proof of equivalent education in a foreign institution.
2. Undergraduate degree or satisfactory subject preparation in linguistics, a language, or a related field resulting in a satisfactory grade point average (GPA). (If there is a question of sufficient background, a program of leveling courses not to exceed 12 hours will be arranged in consultation with the graduate advisor.)
3. Competency in both Spanish and English (for Hispanic linguistics only).
4. Applicants whose degrees are from non-English speaking institutions are required to demonstrate English proficiency. Please consult the Graduate School (<https://www.utep.edu/graduate/future-students/applicant-timelines.html>) website for required scores.
5. Three letters of recommendation.
6. A brief (two- to three-page) personal statement of purpose.

Thesis and Non-Thesis options and hours

There are one thesis and two non-thesis tracks. Each student must pursue one of these tracks. The thesis track requires LING 5398 and LING 5399, in addition to the requirements of nine (9) core hours and 21 elective hours. The thesis will be presented in an open defense. One non-thesis track involves an extended paper/project, which will be presented in an open defense. This track requires LING 5397, in addition to the requirements of nine (9) core hours and 24 elective hours. The second non-thesis track involves extended coursework, requiring nine (9) core hours and 27 elective hours. Under this track, there will be a final open oral and/or written examination in the candidate's chosen primary area of study. In more detail, the requirements for each degree track, including the concentration possibilities mentioned above, are as follows:

Degree Plan

Required Credits: 36

Code	Title	Hours
MA in Bilingualism and Applied Linguistics (All courses require a grade of C or better)		
Required Courses:		
LING 5301	Principles of Ling Analysis	3
LING 5348	Second Language Acquisition	3
LING 5388	Bilingualism	3
LING 5395	Research Methods in Ling	3
Other Electives:		
Select a track below		
Thesis Track		
LING 5398	Thesis *	3
LING 5399	Thesis *	3
18 additional hours of graduate linguistic courses		18
Research Project Track		
LING 5397	Extended Research Project **	3
21 additional hours of graduate linguistic courses		21
Exam Track		
24 additional hours of graduate linguistics courses		24
Total Hours		36

* Can count a second time as elective

** Can count a third time as elective

Graduate Linguistics (LING) Courses

Code	Title	Hours
LING 5107	Seminar-Spec Topics Linguistic	1
LING 5308	Second Language Teaching	3
LING 5309	Generative Syntax	3
LING 5310	Pedagogical Issues in Engl Str	3

LING 5319	English Historical Linguistics	3
LING 5331	Teaching Second Lang Comp	3
LING 5348	Second Language Acquisition	3
LING 5370	Study in Language	3
LING 5373	Linguistic Variation	3
LING 5374	Language Testing	3
LING 5381	Spanish Phonetics & Phonology	3
LING 5385	Spanish Historical Linguistics	3
LING 5388	Bilingualism	3
LING 5389	Problems In Language Instruct	3
LING 5397	Extended Research Project	3