

# \*New for 2017\*

## GradDip/MA in Applied Linguistics (International)



The Graduate Diploma/Master of Arts in Applied Linguistics (International) is a one-year taught programme and is offered on a full-time basis using a combination of faculty-student contact hours and self-directed learning and research. The MA is about exploring language in use in a wide variety of real-world situations and contexts (education, politics and wider society). The MA has a strong international focus both in practical terms with the possibility of an overseas semester, as well as advanced language options in English as a Foreign Language, French, German, Spanish, and in theoretical terms reflecting faculty research interest in language and globalisation.

### Entry Requirements

- At least an undergraduate degree at 2.2 honours level (or international equivalent) in an appropriate subject (languages, linguistics, media, communication, English are particularly welcomed, but applications from suitably qualified candidates from other disciplines will also be considered).
- An interview may form part of the selection process for all applicants. This will be done in person if possible or alternatively via Skype or video conferencing where the candidate is not available and cannot attend an interview.

Candidates who do not meet these criteria may apply for admission to the MA in Applied Linguistics (International) programme as recognised prior learning may be taken into account. The admission of such applicants would be exceptional and would be subject to the approval of the Course Director and the Course Board. Places on the programme will be offered on the basis of the above, viz. qualifications, performance and interview, language proficiency level (if applicable).

### Structure

SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2	SUMMER
<p>Core modules</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applied Linguistics</li> <li>• Research Methodologies</li> </ul> <p>Electives – Choose 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Language Systems 1</li> <li>• Materials Development for Language Teaching</li> <li>• English Language Proficiency 1 &amp;</li> <li>• Academic Literacies for International Postgraduate Studies</li> <li>• Second Language Acquisition</li> <li>• The French Language Today</li> <li>• German-Irish Cultural Constructions</li> <li>• Spanish in the Contemporary World</li> <li>• Sociolinguistics of Spanish</li> <li>• Classroom and Learner Discourse</li> <li>• Introduction to Irish English</li> </ul>	<p>External Academic Placement OR Career Development and Internship Plus</p> <p>2 Electives chosen from the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Language and Culture</li> <li>• Language Systems 2</li> <li>• ICT and Language Studies</li> <li>• Sociolinguistics of Irish media</li> <li>• Language Pedagogy for English Language Teaching</li> <li>• Culture and the Market</li> <li>• English Language Proficiency 2 &amp;</li> <li>• Academic Literacies for International Postgraduate Students</li> <li>• French Translation</li> <li>• German Translation</li> <li>• Spanish Translation</li> <li>• Corpus Linguistics and Language Teaching</li> </ul>	<p>Research dissertation in the area of Applied Linguistics (15,000-20,000 words) for students taking the MA</p>

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## Key features

- Option to spend the second semester on external academic placement with a partner institution abroad, gaining valuable international experience.
- Opportunity to gain career development skills and work experience in a relevant area through an internship programme.
- Advanced proficiency and academic writing modules to enable international students to enhance their English skills.
- Option for language graduates to continue with the study of one or two languages to a very high level.
- Wide range of options to allow students to tailor their choice of electives to particular pathways, e.g. teaching, translation, sociolinguistics or language and technology.

## Careers

Students graduating from this course will be equipped to follow a number of career paths. These include: teaching at various levels (including university), translation, business, publishing, materials' development, localization, linguistic consultancy, further study to PhD level.



## What to include with your Application

- Qualification transcripts and/or certificates (including certified English translations if applicable)
- English language qualification(s) (if English is not your first language)
- A one-page supporting statement
- A copy of your birth certificate (long document)
- Application Fee\*

\* An application fee applies to all postgraduate programmes.

## Tuition Fee

The University recognises that many students are experiencing serious financial constraints in the present economic climate. Accordingly the Fees Office will endeavour to accommodate, where possible, the payment of fees via an agreed instalment payment plan. For further details, please contact the Fees Office at [feesoffice@ul.ie](mailto:feesoffice@ul.ie).

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