

## Emphasis - Applied Linguistics and TESOL

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### **M.A. in Modern Languages Description**

The Department of Modern Languages offers the M.A. in modern languages with emphases in French, German, linguistics, Spanish, and teaching English as a second language (TESOL).

#### **Minimum Total Credit Hours: 36 Course Requirements**

Students must satisfy the requirements for either the emphasis in French, German, linguistics, Spanish, or TESOL.

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Students who specialize in TESOL learn best practices in the teaching of English as a second language, training, most importantly, for careers as English-language teachers. With its heavy focus on applied and theoretical linguistics, the TESOL specialization within the Modern Languages master's program also prepares its graduates for doctoral work in the discipline.

#### **Course Requirements**

Four options for completing the degree are available. All options require 36 credit hours and must include the following courses: Lin 561; 600; 603; 651; 687; and one of Lin 511, 552, 571, or 572. The four options are as follows: (1) 36 hours of graduate-level coursework in Lin; (2) a minimum of 24 hours of graduate-level coursework in Lin and 6-12 hours of coursework in a departmentally approved subfield; (3) a minimum of 24 hours of graduate-level coursework in Lin and 6-12 hours of thesis work; (4) 18 hours of graduate-level coursework in Lin and 18 hours of a supervised internship (Lin 688 and 689). Students must maintain a B average in their coursework or be subjected to probation and/or expulsion from the program.

Students who elect to pursue the thesis option must first pass Lin 690 or 691 with at least a B. All nonthesis students must submit a teaching portfolio with a reflection in their final semester.

#### **Other Academic Requirements**

Students must maintain a B average in their course work or be subjected to probation and/or expulsion from the program.

