3110 Applied Linguistics and English as a Second Language

Programs Offered:

- Bachelor of Arts in Applied Linguistics
- Certificate in Teaching English as a Foreign Language
- Minor in Applied Linguistics
- ESL Credit-Bearing Courses
- Intensive English Program
- Dual B.A. / M.A. in Applied Linguistics

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Applied linguistics is an interdisciplinary field that integrates many perspectives on the study of human language. Studying linguistics is not a matter of learning many different languages, but rather it is the study of the nature of language in general. Applied Linguistics is the study of language and communication in relation to real-world problems such as language acquisition and teaching, language assessment, language analysis on a large or small scale, improving intercultural communication, and understanding the relationship between language and social organization or behaviors.

The Department of Applied Linguistics and English as a Second Language offers (1) a B.A. degree in Applied Linguistics; (2) a minor in Applied Linguistics; (3) a certificate* in Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL), (4) ESL credit-bearing courses for non-native speakers of English, and (5) Intensive English Program (IEP) courses for non-native speakers of English.

*NOTE: The TEFL certificate overlaps with and may be combined with either the major or the minor.

The major and minor in Applied Linguistics provide the opportunity for students to explore the field of linguistics from an interdisciplinary perspective.
The TEFL certificate program provides students with appropriate skills and a credential that will enable them to teach English as a foreign language abroad. Students majoring in any undergraduate program can earn the TEFL certificate. In addition, the certificate can be earned by any post baccalaureate student. TEFL certificate requirements consist of the following five courses: AL 3021, AL 3041, AL 3051, AL 3101, and AL 4161. AL 3021 is a prerequisite for AL 3041, AL 3051, and AL 4161. AL 2021 Intro to English Linguistics is a prerequisite to these courses, except for post-baccalaureate students, but students may be exempted from this requirement by taking a departmental exam. AL 3021 is the first course in the series, but may be taken in conjunction with AL 3051 and AL 3101. AL 4161 should be the last course taken, and AL 3051 is a prerequisite to this practicum course.

For information on credit-bearing ESL courses for non-native speakers of English and the Intensive English Program, see Sections 3230 (English as a Second Language) and 3330 (Intensive English Program).

**Program Academic Regulations**

Students must earn a grade of C or better in any courses required for Areas F and G. A grade of C or higher is also required in all courses counting toward an Applied Linguistics minor and/or the TEFL certificate.

**Program Degree Requirements**

Alternatives are available to some core and major requirements. Please see a degree program adviser for specific guidelines. In addition to the Program Degree Requirements, students must fulfill the College of Arts and Sciences Degree Requirements (see section 3030) and the University Degree Requirements (see section 1400).

**Program Financial Information**

Effective summer 2009, lab fees will be assessed automatically for students who register for certain courses. As a result, students will no longer be required to purchase lab fee cards. For more information, please feel free to contact the department or review the GoSolar or catalog course listings to determine if a course includes a lab fee.

**B.A. in Applied Linguistics**

**Area F: Courses Appropriate to the Major Field (18)**

1. Required courses (6):
   - Choose **two** of the following:
     - AL 2021 Introduction to English Linguistics (3)*
     - AL 2101 Introduction to Language (3)*
     - AL 2102 Languages of the World (3)
*Note: Students may not count both AL 2021 and 2101 towards this requirement. Some 2000-level courses are prerequisites to upper-level AL courses. See GoSOLAR or an advisor for details.

1. The foreign language requirement for the degree is as follows.
   a. Students must complete foreign languages courses through level 2002 in one foreign language or demonstrate equivalent proficiency through examination (e.g., Advanced Placement, CLEP, or other approved examination procedures). American Sign Language may now be taken for your entire four-semester language series. ASL courses can be found in course listings under Exceptional Child (EXC).
   b. Students must complete at least one semester of a less commonly taught language (i.e., any language other than French, German, Latin, Spanish, or Italian) and are strongly encouraged to study a non-Indo-European language to fulfill this requirement. This requirement is in addition to the 4 semester language series, unless the language studied through 2002 is a LCTL. *Note: American Sign Language is considered a LTCL for the purposes of fulfilling this requirement.
      - Lang 100 Elementary Foreign Language I* (0-6)
      - Lang 1002 Elementary Foreign Language II (0-3)
      - Lang 2001 Intermediate Foreign Language I (0-3)
      - Lang 2002 Intermediate Foreign Language II (0-3)

   *Note: A student may include foreign language study through course 1002 in area C; in this case additional electives may be taken in Area F to attain 18 credit hours.

1. Electives (0-12)*
   - Lang 1001 – 1002 Elementary Foreign Language I & II (3-6)
   - Lang 2001 – 2002 Intermediate Foreign Language I & II (3-6)
   - ANTH 1102 Introduction to Anthropology (3)
   - ANTH 2020 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (3)
   - ECON 2100 Global Economy (3)
   - ENGL 2110 World Literature (3)
   - PHIL 2010 Introduction to Philosophy (3)
   - PSYC 1101 Introduction to General Psychology (3)
   - SPCH 1010 Voice and Articulation (3)
   - SPCH 2650 Interpersonal Communication (3)
*NOTE: Students who complete their foreign language requirement through examination or use their FL courses in a minor must choose additional electives at the 1000-2000 level to reach 18 credit hours in Area F. Applied linguistics students are encouraged to study additional languages to fulfill these requirements.

**Area G: Major Courses (30)**

1. Students must complete AL 2021 or successfully pass the departmental placement test to enroll in AL 3021.
   - AL 3021/FORL 3021 Introduction to Linguistics (3)+

2. Required Courses to fulfill CTW requirement (6)
   - AL 3031 is a prerequisite to AL 4151. AL 4241 may have other prerequisites, depending on its topic. Take AL 3031 and choose one additional CTW course (the other may be used as elective under #4 or #5 below):
     - AL 3031 Language in Society-CTW (3) and
     - AL 4151 Communication across Cultures-CTW (3) OR
     - AL 4241 Senior Seminar in Applied Linguistics-CTW (3)

3. Major Requirements (9):
   - AL 3021 is a prerequisite to the courses in this area. Choose three (the fourth may be used as elective under #4 or #5 below):
     - AL 3041 Introduction to Second Language Acquisition (3)+
     - AL 4011 Phonetics and Phonology (3)
     - AL 4012 Morphology and Syntax (3)
     - AL 4111 Semantics and Pragmatics (3)

4. Additional Upper-Level Electives in the Department of Applied Linguistics and ESL (9)
   - AL 3051 Teaching English as a Foreign Language I: Methods and Approaches (3)+
   - AL 3101 English Grammar in Use (3)+
   - AL 4121 Historical Linguistics (3)
   - AL 4131 Bilingualism (3)
   - AL 4141 Special Topics (3) (may be repeated with different topics)
   - AL 4161 Teaching English as a Foreign Language II: Practicum and Classroom Practices (3)+
   - AL 4980 Internship (3) (may be repeated in different sites)
   - AL 4985 Internship Abroad (3)
   - AL 4999 Directed Reading (3)

+NOTE: Students completing the five courses marked with a plus sign (+) will also receive the certificate in Teaching English as a Foreign Language.
5. One signature experience elective. Choose one course from the following. Other relevant electives inside or outside the department may be taken with departmental approval. (3)
   - AL 4980 Internship
   - AL 4985 Internship Abroad
   - Any 3xxx or 4xxx course taken while on study abroad or international exchange
   - Any Lang 3xxx or 4xxx upper-level foreign language course (including American Sign Language)
   - An extra AL CTW course (AL 3031, 4151, or 4241, not taken for requirements above)
   - An extra Linguistic Analysis elective (AL 3041, 4011, 4012, or 4011, not taken for requirements above)
   - An approved course in an allied field (see department for approval)

Area H: Minor and Additional Courses

1. Students majoring in applied linguistics are not required to take a minor.
2. Students majoring in applied linguistics must take additional courses as electives to complete a minimum of 120 total hours, exclusive of KH 1010, and 39 residency hours. Students are strongly encouraged to choose electives in cognate disciplines such as Anthropology, Foreign Languages, Sociology, Speech Communication, Psychology, Philosophy, History, Religious Studies, English, Education, etc.

Minor Offerings

Students who wish to minor in applied linguistics should complete the following six requirements (15-18 hours). A grade of C or higher is required in all courses counting toward the minor. AL/ForL 3021 Introduction to Linguistics is a prerequisite for all courses in 4-6. Students who wish to complete both a minor and a TEFL certificate may count some of the same courses toward requirements for both programs. The minor is 15-18 hours and the TEFL certificate is 15-18 hours; completed together they are 21-27 hours. See the departmental advisor for more information on this combined program of study.

1. Lang 1002 Beginning Foreign Language II (3)*
2. Any 2000 level AL/ForL course (3)
3. AL 3021/ FORL 3021 Introduction to Linguistics (3) +
4. Select one course. (3)
   - AL 3041/ FORL 3041 Introduction to Second Language Acquisition (3)
   - AL 4131/ FORL 4131 Bilingualism (3)
5. Select one course. (3)
   - AL 4011/ FORL 4011 Phonetics & Phonology (3)
   - AL 4012/ FORL 4012 Morphology & Syntax (3)
6. Any 3000 or 4000 level AL/ForL course (3):

*NOTE: Lang 1002 is waived if it is a requirement in the student’s declared major.

+NOTE: AL 2021 Introduction to English Linguistics or a passing exemption exam score is now a prerequisite to AL 3021.

**Dual B.A. / M.A. Program in Applied Linguistics**

The department offers a dual Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts in Applied Linguistics. The dual degree opportunity enables qualified students to enroll in graduate courses late in their undergraduate program and apply the coursework toward both the bachelor’s and master’s programs.

Students must be formally accepted into the dual degree program by the department and College of Arts and Sciences to be able to take graduate courses as an undergraduate. Additionally, acceptance into the dual program does not constitute admission to the master’s program. Students must fulfill regular graduate admissions requirements and apply for the master’s program following college processes.

Information about the dual program, including application instructions and program requirements, can be found at cas.gsu.edu/dual-degrees/.