MASTER OF ARTS IN
LINGUISTICS

The aim of the master's program is to instruct students in the major areas of linguistic theory and the methods of linguistic analysis. Candidates for this degree must earn at least 40 graduate hours with a minimum grade point average of 3.0 (A = 4.0) and satisfy other department and Graduate College requirements.

Thesis Option

Four elective courses
LING 425 Intro to Psycholinguistics 4
LING 450 Sociolinguistics I 4
LING 501 Syntax I 4
LING 502 Phonology I 4
LING 541 Syntax II 4
or LING 542 Phonology II 4
Select one of the following:
LING 507 Formal Semantics I 4
LING 551 Pragmatics 4
LING 590 Special Topics in Linguistics (4 max applied toward degree) 4
Language Requirement: Students must have proficiency in one language (other than their native tongue) that has a significant body of linguistic literature
LING 599 Thesis Research (4 min applied toward degree) 4
Total Hours 44

Other Requirements 1

Other requirements may overlap
Writing of an acceptable M.A. thesis is required.
Minimum 500-level Hours Required 16
Overall:
Minimum GPA: 3.0
1 For additional details and requirements refer to the department's graduate programs (http://www.linguistics.illinois.edu/students/grad) and the Graduate College Handbook (http://www.grad.illinois.edu/gradhandbook).

Non-Thesis Option

Four elective courses (Non-thesis students may apply LING 590 to this requirement, to a maximum of 4 hours.)
LING 425 Intro to Psycholinguistics 4
LING 450 Sociolinguistics I 4
LING 501 Syntax I 4
LING 502 Phonology I 4
LING 541 Syntax II 4
or LING 542 Phonology II 4
Select one of the following:
LING 507 Formal Semantics I 4
LING 509

Other Requirements 1

Other requirements may overlap
Minimum 500-level Hours Required 16
Overall:
M.A. Qualifying Examination
Minimum GPA: 3.0
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