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  
LING 450 Sociolinguistics I  
LING 501 Syntax I  
LING 502 Phonology I  
LING 541 Syntax II  
or LING 542 Phonology II  
Select one of the following:  
LING 507 Formal Semantics I  
LING 551 Pragmatics  
LING 590 Special Topics in Linguistics (4 max applied toward degree)  
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)  
Total Hours 44

**Other Requirements**

Other requirements may overlap  
Minimum 500-level Hours Required 20  
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  
LING 450 Sociolinguistics I  
LING 501 Syntax I  
LING 502 Phonology I  
LING 541 Syntax II  
or LING 542 Phonology II  
Select one of the following:  
LING 507 Formal Semantics I  
LING 551 Pragmatics

Total Hours 40

**Other Requirements**

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

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