

ENGLISH: LANGUAGE AND LINGUISTICS OPTION (M.A.)

<https://cola.unh.edu/english/program/ma/english-language-linguistics-option>

- Be able to deploy the analytical tools, modes of critical thinking, and types of writing that are used in studying languages and linguistics
- Understand practical application of linguistic knowledge to daily life
- Develop expertise in theories of second language acquisition and teaching English as a second/foreign language

Description

Students who wish to specialize in any of the various areas of English language and linguistics may design an M.A. program to meet their interests. Specialties include applied linguistics and the teaching of English as a second language as well as the traditional subfields of linguistics. Psycholinguistics courses are offered through the psychology department.

Requirements

To earn the M.A. degree, students must complete at least **32** credit hours at the 800 or 900 level, including 4 credit hours of a research experience.

Reading knowledge of one foreign language is required. This may be demonstrated by passing a departmental examination or by receiving a grade of B or better in a fourth-semester college-level language course. Students whose native language is not English may be exempt from this requirement.

The student's course of study must be approved by the program adviser.

Code	Title	Credits
Required Courses		
ENGL 893	Phonetics and Phonology	4
ENGL 894	Syntax	4
Five Electives		
20		
ENGL 815	Teaching English as a Second Language: Theory and Methods	
ENGL 816	Curriculum, Materials and Assessment in English as a Second Language	
ENGL 817	Languages in Contact	
ENGL 818	Morphology	
ENGL 819	Sociolinguistics Survey	
ENGL 827	Issues in Second Language Writing	
ENGL 852	History of the English Language	
ENGL 879	Linguistic Field Methods	
ENGL 890	Special Topics in Linguistics	
ENGL 891	English Grammar	
ENGL 910	Practicum in Teaching College Composition ¹	
Concluding Research Experience		
ENGL 998	Master's Paper ²	4
Total Credits		32

¹ ENGL 910 Practicum in Teaching College Composition is reserved for graduate teaching assistants.

² The alternative to this requirement is a 4 credit course at the 800 or 900 level in which students, with the consultation of the course instructor and/or the program advisor, produce a substantial (30 page) paper

Student Learning Outcomes

- Demonstrate competence in the major areas of linguistic theory including phonetics, phonology, morphology, and syntax
- Understand processes of language variation and change