THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
FACULTY OF ARTS

Master of Arts in Applied Linguistics Programme (2021/2022)

(Please also visit the University Taught Postgraduate Admissions website at http://www.hku.hk/tpg before submitting your application.)

1. Applications are invited for admission in September 2021 to read for the degree of Master of Arts in Applied Linguistics.

2. Our programme is designed for those who have professional experience in English language education although we welcome applications from non-teaching linguists or those with related professional experience in the analysis of language. The focus of the programme is on issues relating to the teaching, learning and use of English for academic or professional purposes. Some courses in the programme contribute to an understanding of English in all contexts, while others relate more specifically to the learning context in Hong Kong. The curriculum shall normally extend over one academic year of full-time study or two academic years of part-time study.

Admission Schedule	
Application Deadline:	
Round 1:	12:00 noon (GMT +8), December 28, 2020 (Monday)
Round 2:	12:00 noon (GMT +8), February 22, 2021 (Monday)
Interview (if required):	January 16, 2021 (Saturday) & March 20, 2021 (Saturday)
Result Announcement Date:	January/April/May 2021

Admission Requirements

3. To be eligible for admission to the programme, a candidate shall satisfy both the University Admission Requirements and the Programme Specific Requirements as listed below:

   (a) shall comply with the General Regulations;

   (b) shall hold a good Bachelor's degree of this University or a qualification of equivalent standard from this University or another comparable institution accepted for this purpose;

   (c) for a candidate who is seeking admission on the basis of a qualification from a university or comparable institution outside Hong Kong of which the language of teaching and/or examination is not English, shall satisfy the University English language requirement applicable to higher degrees as prescribed under General Regulation G2(b).

   The programme has its specific requirements with regard to TOEFL and IELTS:

Test	Minimum requirement
TOEFL: Paper-based test (PBT)	Overall score of 550 with 4 in Test of Written English (TWE); or
TOEFL: Internet-based test (iBT)	Overall score of 80 with 25 in Writing; or
IELTS	Band 7 with no subtest lower than 5.5

   Note: Only TOEFL/IELTS scores recorded in the two years before the date of application are considered.

   (d) shall satisfy the examiners in a qualifying examination if required.

4. An application for exemption from the above requirements shall be considered on a case by case basis.

Application

5. Applications for this programme and payment of application fee (HK$300 per application) should be submitted online at http://www.hku.hk/tpg.

6. Applicants are required to upload all supporting documents onto the application system. Original copies of these documents will be required upon request. A checklist of the required supporting documents is available at https://aal.hku.hk/tpg/programme-list-2122.

7. Applicants may contact the Faculty Office by email (arts@hku.hk) or by telephone (3917 4197) if they do not receive their application results by July 31, 2021.

Regulations and Syllabuses

8. The regulations and syllabuses for the programme can be viewed at https://aal.hku.hk/tpg/programme-list-2122.

Concurrent Studies

9. General Regulation G6(b)(i) prohibits concurrent registration by a student of this University for any other post-secondary qualification either at this University or at any educational institution, unless approval of the Senate has been obtained in advance. Students in breach of this regulation may be required to discontinue their studies at this University.

Visa for Studies

10. If you are not a holder of a Hong Kong Permanent Identity Card, a dependent visa, a work visa or an IANG (Immigration Arrangements for Non-local Graduates) visa, you must obtain a student visa before registration in our programmes. Normally the student visa is only granted to those admitted to full-time studies. Students are responsible for ensuring that they have a valid visa and register in the programmes before the study begins. If any student fails to register in time, the offer of admission may be withdrawn and all fees already paid will not be refunded.

Scholarship

11. The award of the "Entrance Scholarship for the Master of Arts in Applied Linguistics" is based on the academic merit and financial need. For enquiries, please contact Dr. Ken Lau (email: lauken@hku.hk).

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