

HOW TO APPLY FOR THE MASTERS PROGRAM:

Use this checklist to guide you through the Masters in linguistics application process. All applications must be completed concurrently in **two parts**.

PART I: SUBMIT AN APPLICATION WITH THE TOULOUSE GRADUATE SCHOOL

- Submit an application and supplementary documentation with the Toulouse Graduate School.
- Check with the department for additional requirements.

PART II: LINGUISTICS DEPARTMENT APPLICATION

- Required documents to be uploaded as part of the application process:
 - A 300-500 word statement of purpose for pursuing of linguistics degree
 - A writing sample/research paper (A research paper on some topic in Linguistics or a related subject. This could be a term paper from an undergraduate class or an independent study project. Paper lengths might vary from 5-15 pages or more. The purpose of the writing sample is to give the committee an idea of applicants' abilities to write, express themselves, and to craft an argument on an academic topic.)
 - A current resume/CV
 - Three letters of recommendation from academic professionals:
 - 1st Letter of Recommendation
 - 2nd Letter of Recommendation
 - 3rd Letter of Recommendation
- (Optional) Fill out our department financial support application found [HERE](#).

ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION

To be eligible for admission to the MA or MS with a major in Linguistics, applicants must have at least a 3.0 GPA on the last 60 hours of undergraduate semester credit hours prior to receiving a bachelor's degree or a 2.8 GPA on all undergraduate work. Applicants accepted into the MA/MS with a major in ESL have presented verbal scores ranging from the 50th to the 99th percentile and analytical writing scores ranging from 4.0 to 6.0. Applicants whose native language is not English must also submit a score on the TOEFL or IELTS examination. Competitive scores on the Internet-based TOEFL examination are in the range of 88 and above and on the IELTS 6.5 and above. The department conducts a holistic review of all application materials and does not decline students based solely on a single low-test score.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT

All candidates pursuing a master's degree in linguistics must have a reading knowledge of at least one foreign language. As evidence of such foreign language, a student may present the results of a standardized examination or have completed the sophomore year of a foreign language, or the equivalent, provided that the grade point average on all language courses is 2.75 or higher. Students must meet the foreign language requirement before completing their last semester.

DEGREE PLAN REQUIREMENT

Students are required to file a degree plan during the second semester of graduate work toward the master's degree. Students should meet with an advisor to file their degree plan as soon as possible after the registration period during their second semester's work.