



**UNIVERSITY  
OF ERFURT**

Faculty of Philosophy

**MASTER (M.A.)**

**Applied Linguistics**

## COURSE DETAILS

The MA programme “Applied Linguistics – Use, Processing and Acquisition of Language” provides postgraduate students with detailed knowledge about linguistic theories and their applications in a variety of contexts. The degree programme introduces students to different methods and theories in key areas of applied linguistic research. Students learn how to use these methods and theories to investigate and analyse linguistic topics in a variety of areas. The choice of compulsory and elective modules enables students to specialize in different areas of applied linguistics.

The MA programme and its specialization areas are closely related to key activities within the university’s research focus: *“Education, School, and Behaviour”*, notably to the research group *“Competence and Fluency in Language: Issues in Language Development, Processing and Use”* in the post-graduate and post-doctoral programme (EPPP) at Erfurt.

## CAREER PROSPECTS AND EMPLOYABILITY

A master degree in “Applied Linguistics” prepares students for further academic research and a variety of other employment options outside of academia. Depending on the chosen specialization, students may later choose to pursue careers in the following sectors:

- Language promotion
- Language pathology
- Multilingual education programmes
- Counselling on language policy
- Communications consultancy and coaching (also in a cross-cultural field)

**DURATION**

4 semesters (120 ECTS)

**DEGREE**

Master of Arts (M.A.)

**TYPE OF ENROLMENT**

full- and part-time

**BEGIN OF STUDIES**

winter & summer  
semester



- Editorial departments
- Publishing houses
- Media
- Language teaching of adult learners

## **CURRICULUM**

The programme comprises 120 credits. Students attend seminars and lectures in the first three semesters (90 credits) and write their M.A. dissertation in the fourth semester (30 credits). The curriculum consists of two compulsory modules and seven additional modules, from which three are to be chosen.

### **Compulsory modules:**

- Linguistic and methodological foundations
- Career-oriented practical training

### **Elective modules:**

- Language use
- Language and cognition
- Language and multilingualism
- Language and brain
- Language and society
- Multilingualism and intercultural language use
- Language and logic

## **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Admission to the master programme “Applied Linguistics” is granted with an undergraduate degree with a mark corresponding to the German grade 2.3 or better.

The applicant’s undergraduate course can either be:

- a relevant linguistics course

- a language and literature degree (also as part of a teacher's degree), in which the sum of credits acquired in classes with a linguistic focus is 20 credits or above
- a psychology degree if it contains a component in linguistic or cognitive psychology with at least 20 credits

Students need to have listening and reading skills in English at C1 level.

If individual admission requirements are not met, the examination board may allow admission to the programme only in conjunction with specific requirements.



## ADMISSION

Information on application deadlines, procedures, admission and enrolment can be found at:

**[www.uni-erfurt.de/bewerbung](http://www.uni-erfurt.de/bewerbung)**

The application period for the winter semester is **from 1 January to 15 July**, and for the summer semester **from 1 November to 15 January!**

## FURTHER INFORMATION

**[www.uni-erfurt.de/en/studies/course-offerings/  
master/applied-linguistics-use-processing-and-  
acquisition-of-language](http://www.uni-erfurt.de/en/studies/course-offerings/master/applied-linguistics-use-processing-and-acquisition-of-language)**

**[www.instagram.com/ling.unierfurt](https://www.instagram.com/ling.unierfurt)**

## STUDIENFACHBERATUNG

✉ **[ma-linguistik@uni-erfurt.de](mailto:ma-linguistik@uni-erfurt.de)**

## CONTACT

Universit of Erfurt  
Nordhäuser Straße 63  
D-99089 Erfurt  
**[www.uni-erfurt.de](http://www.uni-erfurt.de)**



**unierfurt**

Stand: 01.2023  
Credits: Syda Productions,  
Fotolia; Marcus Glahn