

Name of Degree: English Language and Literature
(MASTER OF ARTS)

Degree: Master of Arts

The Master of Arts in English Language and Literature offers students the opportunity to examine literary, theoretical and critical texts from a variety of cultural contexts as well as to investigate English as a global language and the consequent developments in Applied Linguistics and ELT methodology.

GENERAL OBJECTIVES:

- The development of advanced research skills appropriate to the fields of Literature and Linguistics.
- The sustained and intensive development of critical, analytical, and creative thinking skills, particularly related to modes of humanistic and linguistic inquiry
- The broadening of students' linguistic, literary and cultural horizons
- The understanding of the role of English in a globalised world and its implications on English language acquisition and teaching

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES:

- The familiarization of postgraduate students of Literature with writing in English from a broad range of national contexts
- The familiarization of postgraduate students of Linguistics with core issues of Applied Linguistics, Second Language Acquisition and Bilingualism.
- The acquisition of an awareness of the relationship between language and society with particular reference to the English language
- The development of necessary vocabulary and linguistic skills to enable students to become teachers of English or to further their postgraduate studies in Translation and Interpretation.
- The fostering among postgraduate students of advanced abilities in the comprehension, interpretation, and analysis of literary, theoretical, and critical texts from multiple cultural contexts
- The provision to students of the necessary knowledge to prepare for, begin, and sustain independent research in the field of Literature and Linguistics, culminating in individually tailored research projects and/or theses

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Upon successful completion of the MA English Language and Literature program , students should be able to:

- Apply theoretical knowledge they have acquired in their courses onto current cultural, social and historical debates.
- Identify commonalities and divergences in international literary cultures that would assist an informed and full assessment of their immediate literary and cultural milieu.
- Implement contemporary methods of English Language Teaching.
- Draw informed conclusions on the functions and status of English as a global language and identify varieties of English worldwide (World Englishes)
- Participate in current debates on language learning, second language acquisition and bilingualism.
- Participate with confidence in political debates on gender, sexuality, the body, public and private identity performance, subjectivity, nationalism, and human rights.
- Draw informed conclusions about literature's relationship to other art forms in a critical framework that also evaluates art and its attendant politics.
- Practise bibliographical research and apply research organization skills useful in the conceptualization of European research proposals.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

The MA in English Language and Literature prepares students for doctoral studies and careers in a variety of fields. Students will acquire the necessary skills to become teachers in schools, colleges and institutes. With a Master's degree they will be eligible under the law to operate their own language institute. Other graduates will seek places as administrators, writers, Journalists, research assistants in academic institutions, research officers in government agencies, NGOs, professional organizations, commercial publishers and media.

| DEGREE REQUIREMENTS | CREDITS | ECTS |
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| All students pursuing a Master of Arts in "English Language and Literature" program must complete the following requirements: | | |
| Core courses | 21 | 60 |
| Elective Courses | 3 | 10 |
| Master Thesis | 6 | 20 |
| Total Requirements | 30 | 90 |

| CORE COURSES | | 21 CREDITS | 60 ECTS |
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| MEL 512 | Research Methods | 3 | 10 |
| ENG 531 | Cultural Studies | 3 | 8 |
| ENG 542 | Theories of Literature | 3 | 10 |
| ENG 582 | Postcolonial Studies | 3 | 7 |
| LIN 501 | English Language Teaching (ELT) Methodology | 3 | 8 |
| LIN 551 | English in Globalisation | 3 | 7 |
| LIN 561 | Core Issues in Second Language Acquisition | 3 | 10 |
| ELECTIVE COURSES Students select 1 of the following courses: | | 3 CREDITS | 10 ECTS |
| LIN 621 | Special Topics in Linguistics | 3 | 10 |
| ENG 621 | Special topics in Literature | 3 | 10 |
| MASTER THESIS | | 6 CREDITS | 20 ECTS |
| MEL 695 | Master Thesis | 6 | 20 |