Applied Linguistics and Second Language Acquisition

The School of Languages and Cultures offers courses of study leading to the M.A. and Ph.D. in Applied Linguistics/Second Language Acquisition. The primary focus is an interdisciplinary approach geared toward those graduate students whose target language is not one in which the school already offers a specialized program. Candidates wishing to study Applied Linguistics with a focus on French, German, Japanese and/or Spanish should apply for admission to one of those graduate programs.

Admissions

Applications are accepted to the Graduate Program at Purdue University throughout the year. Scores on the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) are required for all U.S. citizens and permanent residents. For international applicants whose native language is not English, the results of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) must be submitted to the Graduate School.

For more information regarding admissions, please visit our web site at: www.cla.purdue.edu/slc/main or the Graduate school web site at: www.gradschool.purdue.edu.

Most graduate students receive teaching assistantships. Fellowships from the Purdue Research Foundation are available on a competitive basis for dissertation research.
Graduate Courses

Here is a sample listing of some of the graduate courses offered at Purdue University in the past several years:

- Sociocultural Theory and Second Language Acquisition
- Issues in Second Language Acquisition
- Classroom Second Language Acquisition
- Second Language Testing
- Research Design in Language and Linguistics
- Sociolinguistics
- Teaching Languages in College
- Psycholinguistics
- Second Language Testing Theory
- Statistical Methods
- Anthropological Linguistics
- Experimental Phonetics
- Psychoacoustics
- Discourse Analysis
- Conversation Analysis
- Bilingual/Bicultural Instruction
- Semiotics
- Second Language Assessment
- Syntax
- Semantics
- Historical Linguistics
- Phonology
- Lexical and Sentential Semantics
- Formal and Grammatical Semantics
- Phonetics
- Language Acquisition

Graduate Faculty

Becky Brown, Ph.D., University of Texas at Austin
- Sociolinguistics
- Romance Linguistics
- African American English

Robert Channon, Ph.D., Harvard
- Slavic Linguistics, Historical Linguistics, Syntax, Language Change

Alejandro Cuza, Ph.D., University of Toronto
- Hispanic Linguistics, Second Language Acquisition, Bilingualism

Lori Czerwionka, Ph.D., The University of Texas at Austin
- Pragmatics, Sociolinguistics, Discourse (L1 and L2)

Olga Dmitrieva, Ph.D., Stanford University
- Laboratory Phonology, Acoustic Phonetics, Cross-Language Perception, Second Language Acquisition

Atsushi Fukada, Ph.D., University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- Japanese Linguistics, CALL, Pragmatics, Computational Linguistics

Kazumi Hatasa, Ph.D., University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- Foreign Language Education
- Computerized Instruction

Wei Hong, PhD., Purdue University
- Chinese Language
- Business Chinese

Colleen-Neary Sundquist, Ph.D., Purdue University
- Second Language Acquisition and Pedagogy, Applied Corpus Linguistics

Daniel J. Olson, Ph.D., University of Texas at Austin
- Phonetics, Psycholinguistics, Bilingualism

Jessica L. Sturm, Ph.D., University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- Classroom SLA
- L2 French Pronunciation

John D. Sundquist, Ph.D., Indiana University
- Second Language Acquisition
- German Linguistics

Mariko M. Wei, Ph.D., Georgetown University
- Applied Linguistics, Language Pedagogy, Second Language Acquisition

Purdue University is a public, land-grant university and a member of the Big Ten Conference. Enrollment is approximately 39,000 students.

The large, beautifully-landscaped campus is located in West Lafayette, Indiana, along the Wabash River.