

# M.A. Program in Applied Linguistics & TESOL, NKUST (112 Academic Year)

Courses		1st Year		2nd Year	
		Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Fall Semester	Spring Semester
<b>必修</b> Required (15 credits)	3 門必修 + 論文 應修 15 學分 3 required courses + thesis (15 credits)	研究方法 Research Methods	學術簡報技巧 Academic Presentation Skills	學術寫作 Research Writing	論文 Thesis (6 credits)
<b>選修</b> Electives  8 courses or 7 courses + 1 course from other programs  (24 credits)	共同必選 1 門 1 course from the two Advanced Research Methods Courses (3 credits)		統計與評量 Statistics and Measurement		
			質性研究 Qualitative Inquiry		
	英語教學組 至少應選修 4 門 (12 學分)  TESOL Track (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages) at least 4 courses (12 credits)	應用語言學 Applied Linguistics	外語習得 Second Language Acquisition	語言測驗與評量 Language Testing and Assessment	語料庫語言學 Corpus Linguistics
		外語教學方法論 Foreign Language Teaching Methodology	閱讀教學 Teaching of Reading	語言學習與科技 Language Learning and Technology	寫作教學 Teaching of Writing
	商務英語溝通組 至少應選修 4 門 (12 學分)  EBP Track (English for Business Purposes) at least 4 courses (12 credits)	商務溝通策略 Business Communication Strategies	商務寫作分析 Analysis of Business Writing	言談分析 Discourse Analysis	商務口譯 Business Interpretation
		社會語言學 Sociolinguistics	世界英語 World Englishes	財經翻譯 Economic and Financial Translation	

\*Notes:

1. You are required to take at least **39 credits** (9 credits for required courses + 24 credits for elective courses + 6 thesis credits) for the completion of the study in the M.A. program in Applied Linguistics and TESOL.
2. Among the **24 elective credits** (8 courses), you are required to take one from the two Advanced Research Methods courses: (1) Statistics and Measurement and (2) Qualitative Inquiry. Moreover, you have to **choose one concentration from the two curricular tracks: (1) TESOL Track and (2) EBP Track**. You are required to take at least **4 elective courses in your chosen track**. For the other electives, you can take courses from the other track. You can also take a 3-credit graduate course from other master's programs as an elective.
3. You are allowed to take **maximum 4 graduate courses** each semester. If you have a special need to take 5 graduate courses in our MA program, please get a permission from either your thesis advisor or the program director.
4. In order to demonstrate your writing ability, you **MUST** pass the Writing Diagnostic Test before taking the required course: Research Writing.
5. **Course waiver policy:** You may apply for waivers of the following two required courses.
  - (1) Academic Presentation Skills  
If you wish to apply for a waiver of this course, you need to make a videotaped academic presentation in English for 10-12 minutes. The course instructor will assign a research article for you to present. In the video, your face and the presentation slides you use as a visual aid must be seen clearly. You need to submit a waiver application along with your videotaped presentation and slides to the department in the first week of the Spring semester for a review of your presentation skills.
  - (2) Research Writing  
If you wish to apply for a waiver of this course, you need to pass the Writing Diagnostic Test and have written a research paper or a thesis before (please note that the work has to be done individually rather than as a group). You need to submit a waiver application along with your previous research works to the department in the first week of the Fall semester for a review of your writing skills.

Once your application is approved, you can take an elective course in its place. Course waivers do not reduce the total number of credits required for the degree.
6. If you have not taken a Linguistics related course in the undergraduate program, you must take one from our undergraduate program in the first year of your graduate studies.
7. If you are not a native English speaker, you must reach the following English language proficiency level before requesting an oral defense of your thesis: TOEFL (iBT) 75 / IELTS 6 / TOEIC 800 / GEPT High Level
8. You need to submit your **thesis abstract** for a review of relevance to your studies in our program before requesting an oral defense of your thesis. You can submit the abstract to the department in the 10<sup>th</sup> week of the semester when you wish to defend your thesis, or one semester before your defense. The review of students' thesis abstracts is undertaken once every semester. Your thesis abstract can be written in either Chinese or English, which must contain the purpose of the study, research design and methods, data collection and analysis, and results. The length of the abstract should be minimum 300 words.