

Postgraduate Certificate in Applied Linguistics (PGAL) - PGAppLing

This program is offered only to continuing students. No new admissions will be accepted. Students who are interested in this study area should consider the [GCEF Graduate Certificate of Education](#).

	On-campus*#	Online*
Start:	No new admissions	No new admissions
Campus:	Toowoomba	-
Fees:	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place
Standard duration:	1 semester full-time, 2 years part-time	
Program articulation:	To: Master of Applied Linguistics ; Master of Education (8 units) ; Master of Education (8 Units)(TESOL)	

Notes:

This program does not qualify students for teacher registration in Queensland. To qualify for teacher registration in Queensland, please refer to the ; [Graduate Diploma of Learning and Teaching](#).

Footnotes

- * All modes of study are supported with the USQ*StudyDesk*. It is possible to complete the program via a combination of delivery modes.
- # Should enrolments not reach the minimum number required for on-campus study, students may be transferred to the online offering and advised of this change.

Contact us

Current students
Ask a question Freecall (within Australia): 1800 007 252 Phone (from outside Australia): +61 7 4631 2285 Email: usq.support@usq.edu.au

Program objectives

On successful completion of the Postgraduate Certificate in Applied Linguistics, graduates should be able to:

- critically reflect on language related issues
- integrate knowledge as a strategic facilitator in second language contexts
- expand communication and literacy skills assisted by technology in relevant discourse communities
- demonstrate competence in academic and scholarly writing
- use skills in a specialised field of Applied Linguistics.

Program aims

This program aims to enhance skills in inter-cultural competence of professionals in diverse communities associated with sectors such as Education, Health and Industry. It provides students with academic skills and professional competence to understand the background to contemporary issues associated with communities of diverse language identities.

Admission requirements

To be eligible for admission, applicants must satisfy the following requirements:

Applicants must have completed a bachelor degree or equivalent from a recognised institution.

All students are required to satisfy the applicable [English language requirements](#).

If students do not meet the English language requirements they may apply to study a University-approved [English language program](#). On successful completion of the English language program, students may be admitted to an award program.

Program fees

Domestic full fee paying place

Domestic full fee paying places are funded entirely through the full fees paid by the student. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken. Students are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Schedule](#)

Domestic full fee paying students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called [FEE-HELP](#) provided they meet the residency and citizenship requirements.

Australian citizens, Permanent Humanitarian Visa holders, Permanent Resident visa holders and New Zealand citizens who will be resident outside Australia for the duration of their program pay full tuition fees and are not eligible for [FEE-Help](#).

International full fee paying place

International students pay full fees. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken and whether they are studied on-campus, via distance education/online. Students are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Schedules](#).

Program structure

The PGAL is a 4-unit program. A student must complete four units at postgraduate level (level 5 or level 8), three required units and one elective unit. A minimum of 50% of the program (2 units) must comprise level 8 courses.

Required time limits

Full-time enrolment normally requires one semester of study. Part-time enrolment may take up to two years of study to complete the Program.

Electives/Approved courses

The one elective course will be selected from

Education
LIN8001 Principles of Second Language Learning
LIN8002 Methodology in Teaching a Second Language
LIN8003
LIN8006 Technology-Enhanced Language Teaching
LIN8007 Language and Literacy Assessment

Note: Minimum enrolment numbers apply to all courses. Should enrolments not meet the minimum number required, students may be transferred to a different mode or offering and advised of this change prior to semester start.

IT requirements

Students must have reliable and ready access to email and the Internet. Broadband would be a significant advantage. See [minimum computing standards](#) for more information.

Articulation

The PGAL articulates into the Master of Applied Linguistics, Master of Education (TESOL).

Credit

The maximum credit granted will be no more than half of the program units (two units). Within this limit, credit will be granted for relevant studies successfully completed at postgraduate level in the last five years and may be considered for studies successfully completed in the last 10 years. Students intending to apply for credit should follow the [guidelines for credit for previous study or work](#). Within the framework of those regulations, the following points should be given particular consideration:

- Transfer of credit from other incomplete USQ award programs may be permitted where there is similar or appropriate content.
- Normally an accredited Certificate in TESOL from a recognised institution attracts one unit of credit and an accredited Diploma in TESOL attracts two units of credit.
- Completed and assessed professional development modules based on PGAL course materials may attract credit into the program.

Students should contact the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts for advice before applying for credit.

Enrolment

Students may commence this Program in semesters one, two or three. External students may study either part-time or full-time. On-campus commencement is restricted to semester one. International on-campus students must be enrolled full-time.

Recommended enrolment pattern

Students are able to enrol in any offered mode of a course (on-campus, external or online), regardless of the program mode of study they enrolled in.

It is recommended that the program of study commences with the core course [LIN5000](#).

Note: On campus offers are contingent upon sufficient enrolments. Subject to International students' visa requirements, alternative modes of EXT or ONL may be substituted for the discipline course.

Course	Year of program and semester in which course is normally studied						Enrolment requirements
	On-campus (ONC)		External (EXT)		Online (ONL)		
	Year	Sem	Year	Sem	Year	Sem	
LIN5000 The Nature of Language	1	1,2			1	1,2	
EDR8005	1	1				1,2	
LIN8015		2				2,3	

Select one discipline course from the Discipline Courses table above.