

## Programme Specification

M(Res) Applied Linguistics (full-time)

M(Res) Applied Linguistics (part-time)

For students entering in September 2019

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**This document sets out key information about your Programme and forms part of your Terms and Conditions with the University of Reading.**

Awarding Institution	University of Reading
Teaching Institution	University of Reading
Length of Programme	12 months (full time), 24 months (part time)
Accreditation	Applied Linguistics
Programme Start Dates	September

### Programme information and content

This programme is intended as intensive training for those wishing to pursue doctoral studies in Applied Linguistics. It aims to provide students with a range of historical and theoretical perspectives, and specialist knowledge in particular areas of applied linguistics research, and with technical expertise in related research methods. The programme also aims to foster an independent approach to learning.

### Module information

The programme comprises of 180 credits, allocated across a range of compulsory and optional modules. Compulsory modules are listed.

#### Compulsory Modules:

Module	Name	Credits	Level
LSMILR	Issues in Linguistic Research	10	7
LSMDNR	Dissertation (MRes)	110	7

The remaining credits will be taken from the list of optional modules from the School of Literature and Languages or from an approved list of modules from across the University.

### Part-time or flexible modular arrangements

The programme is offered on a part-time basis, normally over a period of up to 24 months. The structure of these arrangements is as follows:

Year 1: All modules excluding the Full Dissertation Proposal and Dissertation components of LSMDNR

Year 2: The Full Dissertation Proposal and the Dissertation components of LSMDNR

**Additional costs of the programme**

N/A

**Optional modules:**

The optional modules available can vary from year to year. An indicative list of the range of optional modules for your Programme is set out in the Further Programme Information. Details of any additional costs associated with the optional modules, will be made available to you prior to the beginning of the programme. Entry to optional modules will be at the discretion of the University and subject to availability. Although the University tries to ensure you are able to take the optional modules in which you have expressed interest this cannot be guaranteed.

**Placement opportunities**

N/A

**Teaching and learning delivery:**

Option modules are taught by lectures. Research-related modules are delivered via Blackboard and face-to-face in tutorials as part of supervision sessions.

Total study hours for your programme will be 1800 hours. The contact hours for your programme will depend upon your module combination; an average for a typical set of modules on this programme is 20 hours for option modules and 10-20 hours of research-related supervision. In addition to your scheduled contact hours, you will be expected to undertake guided independent study. Information about module contact hours and the amount of independent study which a student is normally expected to undertake for a module is indicated in the relevant module description.

**Accreditation details**

Applied Linguistics

**Assessment**

The majority of modules are assessed wholly by coursework. Full details are given in the module descriptions.

N/A

**Progression****Part-time and modular progression requirements**

N/A

## **Classification**

The University's taught postgraduate marks classification is as follows:

### **Mark Interpretation**

70 - 100% Distinction

60 - 69% Merit

50 - 59% Good standard (Pass)

### **Failing categories:**

40 - 49% Work below threshold standard

0 - 39% Unsatisfactory Work

### *For Masters Degree*

To qualify for **Distinction**, students must

- (i) gain an overall average of 70 or more over 180 credits; and
- (ii) a mark of 60 or more for the dissertation; and
- (iii) the total credit value of all modules marked below 50 must not exceed 55 credits; and
- (iv) students must not have any mark below 40.

To qualify for **Merit**, students must

- (i) gain an overall average of 60 or more over 180 credits; and
- (ii) a mark of 50 or more for the dissertation; and
- (iii) the total credit value of all modules marked below 50 must not exceed 55 credits;  
and
- (iv) students must not have any mark below 40.

To qualify for **Passed**, students must

- (i) gain an overall average of 50 or more over 180 credits; and
- (ii) a mark of 50 or more for the dissertation; and
- (iii) the total credit value of all modules marked below 50 must not exceed 55 credits;  
and
- (iv) the total credit value of all modules marked below 40 must not exceed 30 credits.

In addition, for all classifications above, students must obtain a mark of at least 40% in LSMILR, and the Essentials of Research Methods and Full Dissertation Proposal elements of the Dissertation (MRes) module LSMDSR.

In addition, the total credit value of all modules marked below 40% must not exceed 30 credits and for all modules marked below 50% must be less than 60 credits.