

HellenicAmericanUniversity

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What makes us unique

We offer a balanced program in linguistics and language education which explores the relationship between language, culture and society to solve real-world problems in language teaching, language testing and intercultural communication.

Our strengths:

- A practicum in a real classroom setting to develop advanced teaching skills.
- Opportunity to earn European-recognized certification as a teacher of English as a Foreign Language
- An e-portfolio to use as evidence of the competencies and skills you acquire during your studies.
- A two-year part-time program that combines online and in-class instruction to accommodate working professionals.
- A program that prepares you equally well for professional development and for doctoral studies.
- Courses that develop skills in using technology for language teaching and research.
- Option to earn the International Tutor Program Certification as a writing tutor from the College Reading and Learning Association (CRLA).
- Career counseling and opportunities for networking through the Career Development Office during and after your studies.

Be an active participant in your studies

We offer you opportunities for active learning and research such as:

- Ongoing faculty-student research projects in areas such as classroom teaching, language testing and the use of English in local and global contexts.
- Annual Student Research Conference.
- A supervised final dissertation in pedagogy, language testing or linguistics.
- Special workshops led by guest speakers from the United States and Europe.
- Access to live language classes for teaching practice and research in language teaching.
- Participation in international academic and research projects in language education, language testing and teacher education.

What you will study

Some of the subject areas you will study and explore are:

- Language in academic writing and professional presentations.
- Analysis of spoken and written texts in different contexts, e.g. language classrooms, media, politics.
- Understanding how children and adults learn a second language and how children become bilingual.
- Analyzing how language is used in different communities and intercultural communication.
- Theory and Methods in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL).
- Teaching and learning of reading, writing, listening and speaking for TESOL.
- Specialized topics such as developing curriculum and materials for English language programs, creating language tests, managing learning difficulties (e.g. dyslexia).

Who will teach you

The members of our faculty come from an international background with master's and doctoral degrees earned at renowned institutions in the UK, Germany, and the US. They are devoted to student-centered teaching and engaged in research projects in which students are often welcome to participate.

All faculty members who teach in the program are:

- engaged in research in their fields of specialization;
- experienced in applying theory to practice: faculty members develop tests, write course books and supervise language teachers;
- committed to mentoring their students.

Get ready for the workplace or further studies

Students will develop essential skills to:

- Assume key positions as: specialized language teachers, teacher trainers, curriculum and material developers, language consultants and publishers, directors of studies and language researchers.
- Pursue PhD studies in Applied Linguistics or related fields.

Degree Programs Offered by Hellenic American University:

Ph.D. in Applied Linguistics

Master of Arts in Applied Linguistics

Master of Arts in Conference Interpreting

Master of Arts in Translation

Master of Business Administration

Master of Science in Information Technology

Master of Science in Psychology

Bachelor of Arts in English Language and Literature

Bachelor of Music

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Bachelor of Science in Engineering

Bachelor of Science in Information Technology

Bachelor of Science in Psychology

Associate of Science in General Engineering

What our students say about us

The MAAL program helped me gain a better insight into second language acquisition and gave me the confidence to take on the challenging position as a teacher trainer.

Antigoni Kapasaki, MAAL 2011, EFL Teacher

Even since I completed my M.A. in Applied Linguistics, I've looked at my classes and each of my students through a different prism. I more easily understand the difficulties they may face and am now able to help them more effectively.

Vassiliki Sykovari, MAAL 2013, EFL Teacher

I really enjoyed the program, especially my sociolinguistics class, which motivated me to do a study for my dissertation on the status of English in Greece. It made me realize that the use of English has an impact on many different aspects of Greek society.

Lazaros Implikian, MAAL 2012, EFL Teacher

I value the education I received from Hellenic American University and I use what I have learned every day. The specialized knowledge and competencies I developed prepared me well for a new job position as an English Teacher of a language program at a well-established institution in Greece.

Niki Iliopoulou, MAAL 2011, EFL Teacher

This was not just another graduate program aimed at developing employability. As an experienced teacher, I soon realized that my effort to complete my studies was a character-building experience and proof of my dedication to my chosen field. The courses made me reflect on my weaknesses and helped me become a better teacher.

Zephie Moumoulidou, MAAL 2011, Hellenic American Union, EFL Teacher



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