1. Applications are invited for admission in September 2018 to read for the degree of Master of Arts in Applied Linguistics.

2. Our programme is designed for those who have professional experience in English language education although we welcome applications from non-teaching linguists or those with related professional experience in the analysis of language. The focus of the programme is on issues relating to the teaching, learning and use of English for academic or professional purposes. Some courses in the programme contribute to an understanding of English in all contexts, while others relate more specifically to the learning context in Hong Kong. The curriculum shall normally extend over one academic year of full-time study or two academic years of part-time study.

**Admission Schedule**

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<td>Interview (if required):</td>
<td>March 3, 2018 (Saturday) &amp; March 10, 2018 (Saturday)</td>
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**Admission Requirements**

3. To be eligible for admission to the programme, a candidate shall satisfy both the University Admission Requirements and the Programme Specific Requirements as listed below:

   (a) shall comply with the [General Regulations](#);

   (b) shall hold a Bachelor’s degree with good honours of this University or a qualification of equivalent standard from this University or another comparable institution accepted for this purpose;

   (c) for a candidate who is seeking admission on the basis of a qualification from a university or comparable institution outside Hong Kong of which the language of teaching and/or examination is not English, shall satisfy the University English language requirement applicable to higher degrees as prescribed under [General Regulation G2(b)](#).

The programme has its specific requirements with regard to TOEFL and IELTS:

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<td>TOEFL: Paper-based test (PBT)</td>
<td>Overall score of 550 with 4 in Test of Written English (TWE); or</td>
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<td>TOEFL: Internet-based test (iBT)</td>
<td>Overall score of 80 with 25 in Writing; or</td>
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Note: Only TOEFL/IELTS scores recorded in the two years before the date of application are considered.

(d) shall satisfy the examiners in a qualifying examination if required.

4. An application for exemption from the above requirements shall be considered on a case by case basis.
5. Applications for this programme and payment of application fee (HK$300 per application) should be submitted online at http://www.hku.hk/tpg.

6. After submitting the online application, applicants are required to send the required supporting documents by post to Ms. Cecilia CHAN, Centre for Applied English Studies, Room 6.60, 6/F, Run Run Shaw Tower, Centennial Campus, The University of Hong Kong, Pokfulam, Hong Kong before the application deadline. Please mark “MA(Applied Linguistics)” on the envelope.


8. Applicants may contact the Faculty Office by email (arts@hku.hk) or by telephone (3917 4197) if they do not receive their application results by July 31, 2018.

9. Applicants who have accepted the conditional offers will need to pay a deposit of HK$10,000 upon their acceptance. The deposit will not be refunded if they decline the conditional offers afterwards or the firm offers after they have fulfilled the admission requirement(s).

Regulations and Syllabuses

10. The regulations and syllabuses for the programme can also be viewed at http://www.hku.hk/tpg.

Concurrent studies

11. General Regulation G6(b)(i) prohibits concurrent registration by a student of this University for any other post-secondary qualification either at this University or at any educational institution, unless approval of the Senate has been obtained in advance. Students in breach of this regulation may be required to discontinue their studies at this University.

Non-local Students

12. If you are not a local student*, you must apply for a student visa before registration in our programmes. Normally the student visa is only granted to those admitted for full-time studies. While the Faculty may in exceptional cases consider offering non-local students admission to our part-time postgraduate programmes, it remains individual students’ responsibility to ensure that they have a valid student visa and register in the programmes before the study begins. If any student fails to register in time, the offer of admission may be withdrawn and all fees already paid may not be refunded.

*Students with dependant visa, IANG (Immigration Arrangements for Non-local Graduates) visa and work visa are also considered as local students.

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