

APPLIED LINGUISTICS

Admission Requirements

Applicants apply for admission to the program via the J. Jeffrey and Ann Marie Fox Graduate School application for admission (<https://gradschool.psu.edu/admissions/how-to-apply>). Requirements listed here are in addition to Graduate Council policies listed under GCAC-300 Admissions Policies (<https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/>).

Applicants are required to submit official transcripts from all post-secondary institutions attended (<http://www.gradschool.psu.edu/prospective-students/how-to-apply/new-applicants/requirements-for-graduate-admission/>). Graduate Record Exam (GRE) scores are highly recommended and can enhance a candidate's competitiveness for merit-based additional funding, but are not required. All applicants are required to submit:

- three letters of reference (at least two from faculty with whom the applicant has studied) evaluating aptitude for doctoral study
- at least one sample of scholarly writing (published or unpublished research paper, thesis, etc.)
- an academic statement describing their teaching and research experience and their specific professional goals and interests

The language of instruction at Penn State is English. English proficiency test scores (TOEFL/IELTS) may be required for international applicants. See GCAC-305 Admission Requirements for International Students (<https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/gcac/gcac-300/gcac-305-admission-requirements-international-students/>) for more information.

International applicants without an undergraduate degree from a U.S. institution also have:

- A minimum TOEFL score of 100 (internet-based), with a minimum score of 23 on the speaking section and a minimum score of 24 on the writing section,
- OR an IELTS score of 7.0 with a minimum score of 7.0 on the speaking section and a minimum score of 7.0 on the writing section