Department of Applied English Linguistics & Translation Studies

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What is Applied English Linguistics and Translation Studies?

Applied English Linguistics is an interdisciplinary field concerned with our understanding of how language is acquired, taught, and used in the modern world. At its center are theoretical and empirical investigations of real-world issues in which language plays a critical role. The field deals with a broad spectrum of topics such as bilingualism, discourse analysis, English as a Lingua Franca, language assessment, language teaching (e.g., TESOL), psycholinguistics, second language acquisition, sociolinguistics, and other areas in which language-related decisions must be made.

Translation Studies is a discipline that draws insights from linguistics, literary studies, cultural studies, and other disciplines to examine the complexities of translation and interpretation as a linguistic, social, and cultural practice. The field focuses on the process of translation/interpretation as a means of communication between different languages and cultures.

Department of Applied English Linguistics and Translation Studies at Kyung Hee University

The Department of Applied English Linguistics and Translation Studies (AELTS) is committed to studying a variety of linguistic phenomena through different modes of inquiry. We examine language through its structure, acquisition, use in context, translation and interpretation, and cultural content. By taking an interdisciplinary approach to language analysis, the program provides a foundation for how languages are learned, taught, and used across various contexts. The program consists of two sub-concentrations: (a) Applied English Linguistics and (b) Translation Studies. Applied English Linguistics is concerned with how second languages (including English) are learned, taught, and used across diverse contexts and genres, while Translation Studies is concerned with exploring the complexities of translation and interpretation as a linguistic, social, and cultural, practice.

The AELTS program trains future English language experts equipped with skills to analyze a diversity of linguistic phenomena and to provide practical and illuminating solutions to language-related issues in the fields of cross-cultural communication, English language learning and teaching, and translation/interpretation. The program offers a wide range of courses in applied linguistics (e.g., discourse analysis, second language acquisition, sociolinguistics TESOL methodologies), cultural studies, English literature, linguistics (e.g., phonetics & phonology, syntax), and translation and interpretation.

Degree Requirements

To receive the Bachelor of Arts degree in Applied English Linguistics & Translation Studies, the student must:

- 1) Complete the required units as follows.
 - a) Student who majors Applied English Linguistics & Translation Studies should:
 - complete a minimum of 130 credit units
 - satisfy a minimum of 70 units of Major Courses as follows:
 - complete 12 units of Essential Major Studies for AELTS
 - complete 18 units of Foundational Major Studies for AELTS
 - complete 40 units of Elective Major Studies for AELTS
 - b) Students who double major Applied English Linguistics & Translation Studies should:
 - complete a minimum of 130 credit units
 - satisfy a minimum of 50 units of Major Courses as follows:
 - complete 12 units of Essential Major Studies for AELTS
 - complete 18 units of Foundational Major Studies for AELTS
 - complete 20 units of Elective Major Studies for AELTS
- 2) Satisfy a graduate examination, pass graduation thesis, or participate in the college internship progra

Courses

The curriculum includes the following:

- (1) Essential Courses
 - Introduction to Applied English Linguistics
 - English Grammar
 - British and American Culture
 - Korean-English Consecutive Interpreting

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- (1) Foundational Courses
 - English Composition
 - English Reading
 - Introduction to English Linguistics
 - Introduction to Translation Studies
 - Introduction to English Literature
 - Translation-based English Reading

(3) Electives

- Discourse Analysis
- Conversation Analysis of English
- Sociolinguistics
- Psycholinguistics
- Theory and Practice of English Education
- English Teaching Unit Analysis
- Lesson Plan for Teaching Materials(English), Logics and Essay(English)
- Intercultural Analysis
- Korean Culture in English
- Korean Grammar in English
- Advanced Public Speaking,
- Advanced English Grammar
- English Syntax
- English Phonetics and Phonology
- Sight Translation
- Translation of Economic and Commercial Texts
- Korean-English Consecutive Interpreting 2
- English-Korean Consecutive Interpreting 1
- English-Korean Consecutive Interpreting 2
- English-Korean Translation
- Translation of Current Affairs Texts
- Translation of Scientific and Technical Texts
- Advanced Topic-based Practice in Interpretation
- Korean-English Translation
- Literary Translation,
- English Literature and Society
- British and American Literature and Culture
- English Literature in EFL Context
- and other related applied linguistics courses

Careers and Graduate Destinations

On the basis of the skills and knowledge that students have acquired from their undergraduate study, they can pursue a variety of career opportunities after graduation in such fields as English education, translation/interpretation, communication and media, business and commerce, international relations, and so forth.

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