

3.6.4 MA (General Linguistics)

Programme Codes

10294 – 879(180)

10294 – 889(180) *Please note: This option does not admit new students.*

Specific Admission Requirements

An Honours degree/postgraduate diploma in general or applied linguistics, a language, a language-related subject or speech therapy (logopaedics); or another qualification accepted by Senate as equivalent to such an Honours degree/postgraduate diploma.

Closing Date for Applications

- South African students:
 - Apply by **30 November** of the preceding year.
- International students:
 - Apply by **30 August** of the previous year.

Programme Structure

The programme focuses on language phenomena in the following domains:

- The structure of language
- The use of language
- Critical Discourse Analysis
- Sociolinguistics
- Second-language acquisition
- Intercultural communication
- Psycholinguistics
- Sign Language linguistics
- Child language acquisition and language impairment

You can choose between two options. Both options require independent research on problematic phenomena in one of the domains mentioned above. In Option 1, the results of the research are presented in the form of a 100% thesis, and in Option 2 in the form of a 50% thesis. Option 2 requires further advanced study in one or more themes in linguistics, for which you must complete a series of assignments in the first semester. You choose your study theme in consultation with the Department. Your choice is determined by the availability of supervisors and your academic background and interests.

Programme Content

879:

Compulsory Module

12798 : Thesis (General Linguistics)	876(180)
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889:

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Compulsory Modules

12799 : Themes in General Linguistics	873(90)
12798 : Thesis (General Linguistics)	844(90)

Assessment and Examination

- **879:** A thesis of 180 credits for module 876(180) that is assessed according to the regulations of Stellenbosch University.
- **889:** A series of assignments for module 873(90) and a thesis of 90 credits for module 844(90).

Enquiries

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