



Swansea University
Prifysgol Abertawe



Department of Applied Linguistics and English Language

Research Specialisms

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Our Language Studies programmes offer a range of topics including Dialect Study, Psycholinguistics, Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages, Discourse Analysis, and Language in the Media. Through the study of linguistics and language use you will learn about, for example, the sounds children make, the way people speak to the elderly, the structure and history of the English language, media spin, and everyday conversation.

Members of staff in Applied Linguistics and English Language are involved in a number of Research Groups including:

The Language Research Centre (LRC)
Centre on Digital Arts and Humanities (CODAH)

We offer three distinct research degrees, each of which requires you to conduct original research on a specific topic:

- A PhD (100,000 word thesis; three years full-time - five years part-time)
- An MPhil (60,000 word thesis; two years full-time - four years part-time)
- An MA by Research (30,000 word thesis; one year full-time - two years part-time)

Entry Requirements

PhD entry requirements are an upper second degree plus a Master's degree in a relevant subject. M.Phil and Master's by Research applicants must have a minimum of 2.1 at undergraduate level or relevant Professional qualifications. International applicants should have a minimum IELTS of 6.5 or equivalent. Students may enrol in September, January, April or July.

How to Apply

Applications can be made to either the University's Admissions Office or look at the website - www.swansea.ac.uk/postgraduate, where you will also find the on-line application form and details of current fees.

Contact

Potential applicants are most welcome to contact the Arts and Humanities Graduate Centre admissions team for more details and advice on designing a research proposal, email: COAHGradCentrePGRAdmissions@swansea.ac.uk.

For further information on staff research specialisms, please contact:

Professor Stevie Davies (Creative Writing) - email: stephanie.davies@swansea.ac.uk
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Visit our staff pages for full information on staff research expertise and supervisory interests: www.swansea.ac.uk/artsandhumanities/aboutus/

Department of Applied Linguistics and English Language

Dr Federica Barbieri

Specialist Subjects: Sociolinguistics, discourse analysis, corpus linguistics, discourse-pragmatic variation, register variation, grammar-in-discourse, (cross-cultural) pragmatics

Dr Alexia Bowler

Specialist Subjects: Language and Gender; Discourses on Feminism; Sociolinguistic perspectives on language in film, particularly in regard to gender

Professor Tess Fitzpatrick

Specialist Subjects: Vocabulary acquisition and processing, language learning and assessment, applying lexical research methods to novel contexts

Fiona Hardy

Specialist Subjects: Language teaching and assessment, TESOL teacher education and materials development, syllabus development and planning

Professor Nuria Lorenzo-Dus

Specialist Subjects: Discourse analysis, media discourse, (cross-cultural) pragmatics.

Professor James Milton

Specialist Subjects: Vocabulary research and testing

Dr Vivienne Rogers

Specialist Subjects: Second language acquisition in particular the relationship between vocabulary acquisition and syntactic development, language learning aptitude, psycholinguistics, the implications of SLA research for language teaching

Dr Chris Shei

Specialist Subjects: Discourse analysis, Corpus linguistics, CALL, Translation studies.

Dr Cornelia Tschichold

Specialist Subjects: Computer-assisted language learning; computational lexicography; phraseology of English; vocabulary learning

Graduate Centre

The College of Arts and Humanities has a Graduate Centre. The Centre fosters and supports individual and collaborative research activity of international excellence and offers a vibrant and supportive environment for English Language and Literature students pursuing postgraduate research and postgraduate taught masters study. The Centre also provides postgraduate training to enhance research skills and offers support for career development.

