MA Linguistics in Society (Part Time – 2nd year)

PROGRAMME INFORMATION

The **MA in Linguistics in Society** will introduce you to diverse applications of linguistics beyond professions that are explicitly linked to language, including in speech and language therapy for children and adults with communication disorders, criminal investigations and courtrooms, the entertainment industry, IT, education and teaching, healthcare and professional workplaces, providing you with practical and theoretical knowledge as well as sought-after transferable skills.

**Part-time students** will complete 180 credits in total comprising 60 credits of compulsory modules, 60 credits of optional modules and a 60-credit dissertation, over the course of two years.

In your second year, you will complete:

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| Compulsory | LIN7005 Dissertation Proseminar (15 credits, Semester 2)  **EITHER/OR:**  EAL7213 Research Methods in Language Teaching (15 credits, Semester 1)  OR:  LIN7023 Research Methods in Sociolinguistics (15 credits, Semester 2) |
| Elective | **You will choose**:  Optional modules (30 credits)  If you choose to take EAL7213, you will need to choose 15 credits of optional modules in semester 1 and 15 credits of optional modules in Semester 2.  If you choose to take LIN7023, you will need to choose 30 credits of optional modules in Semester 1. |

**Preparatory Reading, MA Linguistics in Society**

(\* indicates more introductory texts. We suggest that you start with these and then move on to some of the others depending on time and interest.)

\*Adger, D. (2019). *Language Unlimited: The Science Behind Our Most Creative Power*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

\*Chambers, J. (2009). *Sociolinguistic Theory*, Revised edition. Oxford: Blackwell.

Duranti, A. (1997). *Linguistic Anthropology* (Cambridge Textbooks in Linguistics). Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Johnstone, B. (2000). *Qualitative Methods in Sociolinguistics*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Ladefoged, P., & Johnson, K. (2010). *A Course in Phonetics*. Boston, MA: Wadsworth.

Milroy, L. & M. Gordon (2003). *Sociolinguistics: Method and Interpretation*. Oxford: Blackwell.

Litosseliti, Lia. 2018 (2nd ed). *Research Methods in Linguistics*. Basingstoke: Continuum.  
Podesva, Robert, and Devyani Sharma (eds.) 2013. *Research Methods in Linguistics*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Trester, A.M. 2022. *Employing Linguistics*. Bloomsbury Publishing.

For further guidance, contact Linnaea Stockall, Convenor of the MA in Linguistics in Society, [l.stockall@qmul.ac.uk](mailto:l.stockall@qmul.ac.uk)

MODULE REGISTRATION

### **How do I register for my modules?**

You will register for your modules using [MySIS](https://mysis.qmul.ac.uk/). The Module Registration Task will become available to you after you have completed the Pre-Enrolment task. Please log in and select the 'Module Registration' option. Your core or compulsory modules may have already been pre-selected for you and they cannot be changed.

Before you start making module selections in MySIS please read the guidance below.

When you come to select the elective modules that you want to take you will be able to review the description of a module within MySIS by clicking on the module name.

It is not possible to submit or approve a partial module selection, so make sure you have selected modules from both Semesters.

**Please submit your selections in MySIS by 19th September 2025.**

Your submission will be considered after this date in the School’s approval process and may not be confirmed until after the Induction Meeting, where you will also be allocated an academic adviser who can offer further advice on your choice of elective modules.

Some modules may become over or under subscribed, so you may be asked to change your selection at that time. You can request changes to approved modules within the first two weeks of Semester 1 using the same MySIS task.

To make this process easier, we will ask you to provide us with some reserve modules. When you submit your main selection of modules, MySIS will open a new screen for you to select your reserves. You will need to select the required number of reserve modules from each selection box to be able to complete the submission.

Please consider your reserve modules carefully and ensure they are modules you would be happy to take. We will make every effort to allocate you to your first-choice modules, but this may not always be possible.

### **Guidance on making your selections**

If you have any questions regarding your selections, you can contact the MA Convenor, Prof Linnaea Stockall via email ([l.stockall@qmul.ac.uk](mailto:l.stockall@qmul.ac.uk)) in advance of the 19th September deadline.

Please view the list of modules for your programme on the following page before making your selections in MySIS.

**Module descriptions** are available from the QMUL Module Directory at [**www.qmul.ac.uk/modules**](http://www.qmul.ac.uk/modules).

**Module timetables** are published from 1st September at [**timetables.qmul.ac.uk**](https://timetables.qmul.ac.uk/default.aspx)**.**

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| **MA Linguistics in Society (Part Time – Year 2)**  **2025-2026** | | | |
| * Part-time students will take all modules marked on the list below as Compulsory. * You will **choose 30 credits** **of optional modules** from the selection of modules below marked as Optional. * No more than two level 6 (L6) options may be taken as part of the overall programme. Places may be capped. * You cannot take modules twice (e.g. If you took a module in your first year, you cannot take it again in your second year of study). | | | |
| **SEMESTER 1** | | **Selection** | **Credits** |
| **EAL7213** | **Research Methods in Language Teaching** | **Compulsory Elective** | **15** |
| EAL7200 | Approaches and Methods in English Language Teaching | Optional | 30 |
| EAL7211 | Curriculum Design and Materials Evaluation for English Language Teaching | Optional | 15 |
| LIN7020 | Ethnography of Communication – Foundations and Fieldwork | Optional | 15 |
| LIN7027 | Trends in Linguistic Research | Optional | 15 |
| LIN7205 | Introduction to Phonetics | Optional | 15 |
| LIN7209 | Syntax | Optional | 15 |
| LIN6060 | Language and Health Communication | Optional | 15 (L6) |
| LIN6213 | Neurodiversity in Language Development and Cognition | Optional | 15 (L6) |
| **SEMESTER 2** | | **Selection** | **Credits** |
| **LIN7023** | **Research Methods in Sociolinguistics** | **Compulsory Elective** | **15** |
| **LIN7005** | **Dissertation Proseminar** | **Compulsory** | **15** |
| EAL7209 | Teaching English in Professional and Academic Settings | Optional | 15 |
| EAL7210 | Methods of Text and Corpus Analysis | Optional | 15 |
| EAL7214 | Assessment in English Language Teaching | Optional | 15 |
| LIN7007 | From Morpheme to Meaning | Optional | 15 |
| LIN7010 | Sociophonetics | Optional | 15 |
| LIN7014 | Research Practicum | Optional | 15 |
| LIN7016 | Understudied Languages and Linguistic Theory | Optional | 15 |
| LIN7053 | Applying Linguistics in the Real World | Optional | 15 |
| LIN7207 | Introduction to Syntax | Optional | 15 |
| LIN7214 | Multimodality, Media and Language | Optional | 15 |
| **SUPERVISED PROJECT** | | **Selection** | **Credits** |
| **LIN7006** | **Dissertation in Linguistics** | **Core** | **60** |
| **Please submit your selections using the Module Registration Task in** [**MySIS**](https://mysis.qmul.ac.uk/) **by:**  **19 September 2025** | | | |