

Bachelor's Degree in Literature



The department of English language offers degree courses in English literature. The aim of the program is to acquaint the students with the trends of English and European culture as well as improve their proficiency/competence in English.

Scope:

The program will introduce the students to a cross-section of British and European authors and their major literary works.

Program structure:

- An introduction to the 16th century British literature
- An introduction to the 17th century British literature
- An introduction to the 18th century British literature
- An introduction to the 19th century British literature
- An introduction to the 20th century British literature
- An introduction to the American literature

Career Opportunities

Graduates in English language and literature have a rich potential for employment as company secretaries, tourist guides, receptionists, and teachers. They have the possibility of doing research leading to M.Phil. or PhD after their post graduation qualifying them to join the university teaching departments.

Entry Requirements:

Successful completion of high school with a good average.

Duration of Study:

The period of study is for 4 years; the first 2 years consist of fundamental studies which give students the opportunity to freely choose between different orientations such as : applied linguistics, translation and literature. The remainder 2 years are dedicated to the specialized program courses.



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Programs Offered:

Bachelor's Degree in Applied Linguistics



Applied Linguistics is a dynamic program which investigates language with relevance to issues in the everyday world. Situated in discursive and interactional contexts, language is essential to all aspects of life from personal to social. Interdisciplinary in nature, applied linguistics sheds new light on the nature of language and language use. The participation of faculty members, including affiliated members in the field of Education, Core Linguistics, Psychology, and Translation, reinforces the interdisciplinary nature of applied linguistics research and represents a wide range of expertise and experience in language-related learning and research.

The program of applied linguistics looks at linguistics from several perspectives, focusing on both theoretical and practical aspects. This program aims to:

1. apply the knowledge of theoretical linguistics to facilitate students' learning of English.
2. apply the knowledge of theoretical linguistics to improve students' skills of teaching EFL / ESL .
3. be able to explain the evolution of the field of applied linguistics and EFL / ESL in terms of its historical context.
4. situate the development of the field in terms of concurrent (and historically-connected) developments in linguistics, composition, psychology, language teaching, and sociology.
5. demonstrate variety of social variables influencing language, such as age, gender, region, occupation, social class, ethnic group, and educational background.
6. understand differences between linguistic attitude vs. linguistic fact, prescriptive vs. descriptive rules, and standard vs. non-standard dialects.

Career Opportunities

By studying the program of applied linguistics, you can get a placement as one of the following:

1. Teacher of English as a Foreign or Second Language
2. Text Developer
3. Technical Writer
4. Technical Copy Editor
5. Electronic Lexicographer
6. Documentation Training Manager
7. Copy writer
8. Editor
9. Interpreter / Translator

Bachelor's Degree in Translation



Courses offered cover general theory and practical skills in a variety of topics to prepare competent Arabic /English and English/Arabic translators. The program provides participants with an up-to-date framework, based on linguistic, social and intercultural awareness, for developing expertise and theoretical knowledge in translation theory and practice. The program courses introduce students to the basics of translation and interpreting, translation of news, economic and commercial texts, literary texts as well as technical texts. In addition, students will be acquainted with technical and electronic tools of translation and interpreting in this program. Through hands-on practice, students will gain fundamental skills in note-taking, sight translation, summarization, consecutive and simultaneous interpreting, timed translation and contrastive analysis of English and Arabic syntaxes.

Translation program aims at the following:

- Providing the market with qualified translators and interpreters in several walks of life.
- Enhancing the role of translation theory in the academic institutions through theoretical research, seminars and workshops to contribute to the benefit of community.
- Developing students' cognitive and practical skills through meeting their needs in terms of enriching their vocabulary and jargon as well as training them conducting their academic research.
- Presenting a community service through translation center which can serve the society in qualifying translation practitioners as well as doing translation and interpreting for the average citizen, organizations and public institutions.

Job Opportunities:

With a period of practice in translation specialization, students who go through translation program are expected to fill several job positions. Some of these opportunities are the following:

- Translators of political texts.
- Translators of economic and commercial texts.
- Translators of literary and social texts.
- Translators of legal texts.
- Translators of scientific and technical texts.
- Translators of linguistic and philosophical texts.
- Interpreters for most, if not all, of the previous genres.
- Lexicographers