

Master of Arts in Second Language Acquisition, Policy and Culture (MASPC)

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The Master of Arts in Second Language Acquisition, Policy and Culture (MASPC) program offers methodological knowledge and skills to teach foreign languages. The degree provides professional knowledge that helps to shape public policy, and cultural awareness on multilingualism and multiculturalism. Internship, practica, study abroad and independent research opportunities are available.

3 FOCUS AREAS

The MASPC program covers three focus areas:

1 Second Language Acquisition
focuses on the process by which people learn a second language and the appropriate teaching methodologies to acquire a second language.

2 Language Policy
focuses on language policies in education, business and government and how these policies meet institutional, economic and national priorities.

3 Culture Studies
examines approaches to effectively interact with people of different nationalities and cultural backgrounds, particularly in the context of human resources, non-profit organizations, businesses, educational institutions, and government agencies.



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PROGRAM CURRICULUM

The MASPC program consists of **30 credit hours**. Courses within the Master of Arts in Second Language Acquisition, Policy and Culture program are three to six credit hours. Courses are offered continuously in fall, spring, and summer. The MASPC program can be completed in 1.5 years with in person, hybrid, and/or online courses.

APPLY TODAY!

Visit our website at [USI.edu/maspc](https://usi.edu/maspc) to inquire about the program and view the admission requirements.

We offer rolling admissions, so you can apply at any time with three start dates throughout the academic year!

1. Complete the [Graduate Studies application](#)
 - a. Submit the application fee
 - b. Submit official transcripts and additional information (if applicable)
2. Complete the [MASPC admission process](#) that includes:
 - a. A letter of intent
 - b. Three letters of recommendation



FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Embedded Certifications

TESOL CERTIFICATION

Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) certification offers educational skills in teaching English to speakers of other languages at home and abroad. The course offers:

- methodological and theoretical training on second language acquisition;
- instruction in teaching methodologies;
- hands-on experiences in the classroom.

This course is only offered during the summer term.

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CAT CERTIFICATION

Cultural Awareness Training (CAT) certification provides the necessary skills to build an effective workforce in increasingly global and diverse professional settings. The program draws on the idea that a global and multifaceted workforce offers new perspectives, creative problem-solving skills and innovation in the workplace and the community at large. It gives rising leaders new perspectives on how they view the world in order to create an inclusive and productive work environment.

- Graduates will prepare a portfolio to conduct on-site training workshops.

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