

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN APPLIED LANGUAGES AND INTERCULTURAL STUDIES

Integrating theory and practice, the Master of Science in Applied Languages and Intercultural Studies degree departs from traditional models of literary analysis and teaching methodology of most US institutions to prepare students of diverse career orientations, including non-profit, government and business sectors, to apply professional-level communication and critical intercultural skills necessary for negotiating within and between the social, technological and political contexts of other cultures and toward understanding the local impacts of globalization and the complex interdependent issues of sustainable development.

- Master of Science in Applied Languages and Intercultural Studies - French
- Master of Science in Applied Languages and Intercultural Studies - German
- Master of Science in Applied Languages and Intercultural Studies - Spanish

Additional languages will be added as they are approved by the Graduate Curriculum Committee

BS/MS Applied Languages and Intercultural Studies eligibility requirements:

1. Recommendation of two Modern Languages faculty members
2. Grade of 3.0 or higher in all BS-ALIS coursework as demonstrated through official GT transcript (as of 2019-20 Spanish coursework)
3. Oral proficiency level of at least Intermediate High according to American Council of the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) standards and OPI assessment procedures. This will be determined by in-person interview or ACTFL phone test.
4. Students must apply by March 15 of their junior year, so as to be accepted into the program and enroll in the graduate version of the required Intercultural Seminar (Capstone) course in the spring of their senior year.
5. Student acceptance will be recommended by a Graduate Committee comprised of members of the language programs to which students apply.
6. Students must maintain at least a 3.0 GPA throughout the MS ALIS program.

Program of Study and BS/MS ALIS Curriculum:

Following the model of other BS/MS degrees at Georgia Tech, ALIS majors meeting and maintaining eligibility requirements for continuing with the BS/MS ALIS may double count up to 6 credit hours of language study at the 4000 level or higher toward both degrees. BS/MSALIS students must complete at least 146 hours (total hours for BSALIS = 122 credit hours and total hours for MSALIS = 30 credit hours equal 152 credit hours with 6 credit hours being shared = 146 credit hours. Students may double count a 6000-level elective (3 hours) and 6000-level Intercultural Seminar (3 hours) toward undergraduate and graduate requirements.

BS/MS ALIS students also take 21 credit hours of graduate electives (3 credits of this requirement will be completed at undergraduate level), of which 18 or more must be in the target language, while one advisor-approved course not in the target language is allowed (3 credit hours of graduate level coursework taken at the undergraduate level will satisfy both BSALIS ML elective and a MSALIS elective requirement). BS/MS students must also complete Intercultural Seminar (6500) that will satisfy both the undergraduate and graduate seminar requirement.