

SECOND LANGUAGE ACQUISITION (Z081)

Graduate Certificate Program
College: Arts and Humanities

*This program is not currently accepting applications.

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Courses: SLAA (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/courses/slaa/>)

ADMISSIONS

General Requirements

- Statement of Purpose
- Transcript(s)
- TOEFL/IELTS/PTE (international graduate students (<https://gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/english-language-proficiency-requirements/>))

Program-Specific Requirements

- Letters of Recommendation (3)
- CV/Resume
- Writing Sample
- Description of Research/Work Experience (optional)

***Visa Eligibility.** This program is not eligible for I-20 or DS-2019 issuance by the University of Maryland.

Students may enter the program in the Fall semester only. Prior to admission to the program, applicants must have successfully completed a Bachelors degree from an accredited university in a relevant field, e.g., linguistics, applied linguistics, psychology, foreign languages, applied linguistics, cognitive science, anthropology or education.

For more admissions information or to apply to the program, please visit our Graduate School website (<https://gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/application-process/step-step-guide-applying/>).

Application Deadlines

Type of Applicant	Fall Deadline
Domestic Applicants	
US Citizens and Permanent Residents	January 21, 2026

International Applicants

F (student) or J (exchange visitor) N/A
visas; A,E,G,H,I and L visas and immigrants

Other Deadlines: Please visit the program website at <http://www.sllc.umd.edu>

REQUIREMENTS

- Second Language Acquisition, Post-Baccalaureate Certificate (P.B.C.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/second-language-acquisition-z081/second-language-acquisition-pbc/>)

FACILITIES AND SPECIAL RESOURCES

In addition to the University graduate library, the SLA program offers research facilities and resources to facilitate research and materials development, including a multimedia SLA Lab, the Language House (<http://www.languages.umd.edu/lh/>), The Center for Innovative Teaching and Learning (<http://sllc.umd.edu/citl/>), the Office of Information Technology (<http://www.oit.umd.edu/>), and the Center for Teaching Excellence (<http://www.cte.umd.edu/>).

Students completing coursework with affiliate faculty in the Departments of Psychology, Communication (<http://www.comm.umd.edu/>), Linguistics (<http://www.ling.umd.edu/>), and Education (<http://www.education.umd.edu/>) as well as the Center for Advanced Study of Languages (<http://www.casl.umd.edu/>) may have access to their respective resources.