Linguistics, Language Documentation and Revitalization



Offered by the School of Linguistics and Language Studies (SLALS), the PhD in Linguistics, Language Documentation and Revitalization focuses on work with Indigenous and minority languages to develop tools to preserve, maintain and revitalize them. It is an interdisciplinary PhD that combines theoretical linguistics investigating structural properties of language and applied linguistics (working with language as part of culture and community). Students will apply their linguistic knowledge in documentation projects involving classifying, annotating and analyzing linguistics data, and/or in creating materials to be used by the linguistic community in maintaining and revitalizing their language.

The SLALS faculty members have expertise in a wide variety of languages, including Inuktitut, Cree, Saami, Nauruan, Kurdish, Mennonite, Plautdietsch and Tsuut'ina. You can find a list of our renowned faculty on this web page: carleton.ca/slals/directory

At the graduate level, we also offer an MA and Graduate Diploma in Linguistics and an MA and PhD in Applied Linguistics & Discourse Studies.

Degree offered

PhD

Career Options

Career paths include teacher, instructor, professor, researcher, translator, language policy consultant and opportunities with regulatory agencies, national security agencies, Tri-Council Research Agencies. As well, alumni may work in natural language processing, computational linguistics, machine translation, marketing and branding, publishing, language revitalization, language documentation and language rights advocacy.

Fall Application Deadline

January 20

Domestic applications may be considered after the deadline depending on space and funding

Admission Requirements

An MA degree in Linguistics with a minimum GPA of A-.

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