Revised Requirement

UT Arlington Department of Linguistics and TESOL Ph.D. Foreign Language Requirement

This is a three-part requirement. It may be fulfilled using either two (2) or three (3) foreign languages other than English.

1. **Research language**: a) Evidence of 4 semesters of undergraduate-level study with passing grades; or b) Translation exam (see Ph.D. Advisor (http://www.uta.edu/linguistics/current-students/advising/index.php); or c) Other (determined by the student’s dissertation committee).

2. **Spoken (or signed) language**: a) Evidence of 4 semesters of undergraduate-level study with passing grades; or b) Conversation exam (see Ph.D. Advisor (http://www.uta.edu/linguistics/current-students/advising/index.php); or c) Other (determined by the student's dissertation committee).

3. **Linguistic Knowledge of a Non-Western Language (NWL)**: a) Completion of a course paper in a Linguistics graduate course (such as LING 5360, 6380, or a seminar), provided the paper demonstrates in-depth knowledge of at least one of the core theoretical areas of the PhD (e.g. phonology, syntax, semantics, etc.) applied to a NWL, earns a B or better, and earns approval to meet this requirement by the professor of the course; b) a Master's thesis on a NWL, provided that the work demonstrates a comprehensive knowledge of the language's grammar; or c) Other (determined by the student's dissertation committee).

Notes: English may not be used to fulfill any part of the Foreign Language Requirement.

"Non-Western" is defined as follows: Non-Romance, Non-Germanic, and Non-Hellenic.

Students who have earned a bachelor's or master's degree from a university at which the medium of instruction is a Non-Western language will automatically have completed requirements (1) and (2) but not (3); meeting the structural knowledge component requires documented academic study of the language in question, not merely spoken or written proficiency.