TRANSLATION - M.A.

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Description
The Master of Arts degree in Translation prepares students for careers in translation, language project management, international business and government.

The Translation major comprises the following concentrations:

• Arabic
• French
• German
• Japanese
• Russian
• Spanish

Students in the Translation degree program are able to declare a dual degree program with the M.B.A. degree.

FULLY OFFERED AT:
• Online
• Kent Campus

Admission Requirements
• Official transcript(s)
• Goal statement
• Three letters of recommendation
• A CD or MP3/wav file with a five-minute oral sample in the applicant's first and second languages (conversational, not read from a script)
• Writing sample(s) in applicant's second language,\(^1\) which should be accompanied by a signed declaration that the sample is original work and that the applicant received no help in its preparation
• English language proficiency - all international students must provide proof of English language proficiency (unless they meet specific exceptions) by earning one of the following (effective spring 2018):
  - Minimum 550 TOEFL PBT score (paper-based version)
  - Minimum 79 TOEFL IBT score (Internet-based version)
  - Minimum 77 MELAB score
  - Minimum 6.5 IELTS score
  - Minimum 58 PTE score

For more information about graduate admissions, please visit the Graduate Studies admission website. For more information on international admission, visit the Office of Global Education's admission website.

Program Learning Outcomes
Graduates of this program will be able to:

1. Critically examine translations based on objective and subjective criteria.
2. Translate text types of moderate difficulty in various domains from the source language into English.
3. Copy/edit their own work and that of others.
4. Articulate and defend translation choices based on a basic understanding of translation studies.
5. Identify distinguishing features of different text types that are meaningful for the translation act.
6. Research the subject matter of a text in appropriate resources.
7. Perform tasks at Intermediate High and Advanced Low levels of proficiency using the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) Proficiency Guidelines. Proficiency in ACTFL terms is understood to describe a range of qualities rather than an absolute norm and will vary according to task type, language function, topic, skill (listening, speaking, reading, writing), and so forth.
8. Demonstrate knowledge of how to vary the register (formality level) of their speech.
9. Read somewhat longer and more complex prose that have been written for native speakers and not edited or adapted for students. They will be able to read a wide variety of text types such as poems, plays, novels, magazine articles, newspaper articles, brochures, pamphlets, menus, letters, and so forth. Some texts they will understand completely; for others, they will be able to grasp the main idea and some or most details.
10. Compose routine social correspondence, take notes, write cohesive summaries and resumes, as well as narratives and descriptions in the target language. Additionally, they will be able to complete course-related writing tasks such as essays and term papers in the target language. They will be able to defend a thesis statement and make stylistic decisions based on the needs of specific audiences and on specific writing purposes.

Program Requirements

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Major Electives\(^1\)

Choose from the following:

Arabic Concentration
French Concentration
German Concentration
Japanese Concentration

\(^1\) International applicants should also submit a writing sample in English.
Students may choose any graduate-level translation-related course in the Department of Modern and Classical Language Studies or other departments as appropriate and with prior approval from the graduate coordinator or from an advisor.

**Arabic Concentration Requirements**

[AS-MA-TRNS-ARAB]

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**Russian Concentration Requirements**

[AS-MA-TRNS-RUSS]

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