Doctorate Program

in

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The Applied Linguistics Program started in the second semester of the academic year 1432 - 1433 H. It is the first Doctorate Program of its kind in Arabic language, in all universities, Arab and Saudi.

Objectives:

1- To create a chance for many Saudi M.A holders in applied linguistics, to pursue their higher education and research in this field within the Kingdom.

2- To prepare Saudi academic competencies, and highly qualified instructors in the field of language teaching in general, and teaching Arabic in particular, which supports the mission of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in this area.

3- To enhance research in Arabic language, the language of the Quran, which is worthy of every academic and research effort, to make learning and teaching it based on sound academic work, and pursue every path that achieves the goal imposed by Islam to spread Arabic among Muslims in the world.

4- To strengthen the position of the University and the Institute among Saudi institutes and universities, as it is the only Institute that provides modern applied linguistics, advanced theories in applied linguistics, and apply them to spread and teach Arabic.

5- To give the opportunity to Arab students, especially Saudi students to contribute in supporting and developing methodological bases, along with the latest developments in many sciences related to applied linguistics, such as: sociolinguistics, psycholinguistics, ethnolinguistics, computational linguistics, and linguistic approach to translation.

Admission Requirements:

-1- Master of Arts in general linguistics, or applied linguistics with a grade (Very Good) at least from Al-Imam Mohammad Ibn Saud Islamic University, or any equivalent degree

from an accredited university.

-2- The applicant must pass an interview administered by a committee formed by the department. The Committee will examine the applicant's research and academic abilities, as well as his\her readiness for higher education in this field.

Study System:

According to Clause (2) of article thirty four of The Unified Bylaws of Postgraduate Studies in Saudi Universities, this program consists of a thesis and some courses. It is divided into two stages:

Stage One: One year of curriculum study, offering curriculum courses in two semesters totalling 18 units, 10 of which are offered in the first semester and 8 in the second.

Stage Two: This stage is dedicated to preparing a thesis. Its duration is a minimum of two years, and a maximum of four years, beginning from the date of approving the thesis topic by the Institute's council. The thesis will count twenty-four units.

Thus, the total units required for the PhD degree are 42 units. Students should complete them in, at least, six semesters, and no more than 10 semesters. The University could extend this period for one additional year based on the supervisor's report, the recommendations of the councils of the Institute and the Department, and the Council of the Deanship of Higher Studies.

Program Courses:

• Level One: Language Acquisition, Language and Society, Shaping Society, Text linguistics and Discourse Analysis, Language and Computer.

• Level Two: Language and Education, Research Approaches in Applied Linguistics, Pragmatics and Semantics, Language Planning and Policy.

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