

SECOND LANGUAGE ACQUISITION GRADUATE MINOR

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This interdepartmental graduate minor draws upon the opportunities that various departments offer to study the processes of language acquisition and pedagogy, and to conduct research in these fields. Developments in the theories of language acquisition, the practices in language instruction, and the technical innovations provide a wide range of resources for secondary specializations in second language acquisition theory. The minor provides an official credential for doctoral students who complete an organized program of study.

In general, students whose major field of study in the Ph.D. is a concentration in foreign language acquisition or ESL are not eligible for this minor, as their field of specialization already includes this area. However, students in English as a Second Language may do the minor with a focus on foreign language acquisition or a student with a specialty area in foreign language acquisition may complete the minor with a specialty area in English as a Second Language.