University of Birmingham

Translation Studies - English Language PhD/MA by Research (On-Campus or by Distance Learning)

This PhD in the Department of English offers promising candidates the opportunity to carry out research in the field of Translation Studies. Research strengths include: literary translation and reception; translational stylistics; adaptation; gender and translation and corpus-based translation studies.

Research in Translation Studies at Birmingham spans Modern Languages, English and Classics, so it is also possible to undertake **doctoral research in translation studies in the Department of Modern Languages (/postgraduate/courses/research/lang/translation-studies-languages.aspx)** .

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Course fact file

Type of Course: Distance learning, doctoral research

Study Options: Distance learning, full time, part time

Duration: PhD – 3 years full-time; 6 years part-time; MA by Research – 1 year full-time; 2 years part-time

Start date: September 2013

Contact

Research degrees are best planned by individual discussion, so if you have a particular subject area in mind, please contact a staff member working in your area of interest in the first instance. See '**Research interests (http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/postgraduate/courses/research/english/translation-studies.aspx#ResearchInterestsTab)** ' for more information.

Details

The MA by Research programme requires you to prepare a dissertation of up to 40000 words on a topic of your choice, for which an academic staff member will provide expert supervision.

The PhD – the most advanced research degree – leads to a dissertation of up to 80000 words on a subject of your choice and under the expert supervision of an academic member of staff.

You can study an MA by Research or PhD programme on campus or **by Distance Learning (/students/courses/postgraduate/research/arts-law-inter/distance-learning.aspx)** .

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Fees and funding

We charge an annual tuition fee. Fees for 2015/16 are currently as follows:

Home / EU £4,090 full-time; £2,045 part-time

Overseas: £13,195 full-time; £6,597.50 part-time

For part-time students, the above fee quoted is for year one only and tuition fees will also be payable in subsequent years of your programme.

Tuition fees can either be paid in full or by instalments.

Eligibility for Home/EU or Overseas fees can be verified with Admissions. Learn more about **fees for international students (http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/International/students/finance/fees.aspx)** .

Learn more about **postgraduate tuituion fees and funding (http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/postgraduate/dr-fees/index.aspx)** .

Scholarships and studentships

Scholarships to cover fees and/or maintenance costs may be available. To be eligible for these awards, candidates must hold either an offer of a place to study or have submitted an application to study at the University. To discover whether you are eligible for any award across the University, and to start your funding application, please visit the University's **Postgraduate Funding Database (http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/fees/funding/FundingFilter.aspx)** .

International students can often gain funding through overseas research scholarships, Commonwealth scholarships or their home government.

Entry requirements

Learn more about **entry requirements (http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/requirements/requirements-pg/index.aspx)**

International students

Academic requirements

We accept a range of qualifications; our **country pages (http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/international/students/country/index.aspx)** show you what qualifications we accept from your country.

English language requirements

You can satisfy our English language requirements in two ways:

- by holding an **English language qualification (http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/requirements/requirements-pg/international/index.aspx)** to the right level
- by taking and successfully completing one of our **English courses for international students (http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/requirements/requirements-pg/international/english-courses.aspx)**

How to apply

Before you make your application

You may wish to **register your interest with us (https://bham.hobsons.co.uk/emtinterestpage.aspx?ip=postgraduate)** to receive regular news and updates on postgraduate life within this Department and the wider University.

Making your application

When clicking on the Apply Now button you will be directed to an application specifically designed for the programme you wish to apply for where you will create an account with the University application system and submit your application and supporting documents online. Further information regarding how to apply online can be found on the **How to apply pages (http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/courses/postgraduate/apply-pg/index.aspx)**

Apply now (https://pga.bham.ac.uk/lpages/CAL145.htm)

Research interests of staff

Dr Gabriela Saldanha (/staff/profiles/elal/saldanha-gabriela.aspx) : translator style, reception of literary translations in the UK book market, translation and gender, corpus-based translation studies.

Professor Michael Toolan (/staff/profiles/elal/toolan-michael.aspx) : stylistic analysis of literary translations

Dr Diana Spencer (/staff/profiles/caha/spencer-diana.aspx) : Rome's reception of Greece, including language and genre translation issues; the reception of Rome in the post-Classical world.

Dr Elena Theodorakopoulos (/staff/profiles/caha/theodorakopoulos-elena.aspx) : translation/adaptation of classical literature by women writers; the reception of classical literature and myth in contemporary writing by women.

Sofia Malamatidou : corpus-based translation studies, translation and language change, scientific translation and textual and intertextual analyses of translated texts.

Additional supervision is available within the **Department of Modern Languages (/postgraduate/courses/research/lang/translation-studies-languages.aspx)** .

Related research

- **Birmingham Centre for Translation (/research/activity/bct/index.aspx)**

Employability

The University of Birmingham has been ranked 8th in the UK and 60th in the world for post-qualification employability in the latest global survey of universities commissioned by the International Herald Tribune.

Your degree will provide excellent preparation for employment and this will be further enhanced by the employability skills training offered through the College of Arts and Law Graduate School.

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Birmingham?s English Language and Applied Linguistics postgraduates develop a broad range of transferable skills that are highly valued by employers, particularly in relation to verbal and written communication. They also develop crucial skills in organisation, time management, analysis and interpretation of information.

Over the past five years, over 92% of English Language and Applied Linguistics postgraduates were in work and/or further study six months after graduation. Some of our graduates enter roles for which their programme has prepared them, such as translation, interpreting or teaching; others use their transferable skills in a wide range of occupations including journalism, marketing, publishing and media.

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