

**DEPARTMENT OF WORLD LANGUAGES, LITERATURES AND LINGUISTICS  
WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY**

**Departmental Application for  
Graduate Admission & for Graduate Teaching Assistantships**

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**PLEASE READ!** This is a supplemental application that should be submitted in addition to the online application to the university. Please fill it out and upload it at the Supplemental Materials --> Supplemental Application link in your online application account at <https://app.applyyourself.com/AYApplicantLogin/ApplicantConnectLogin.asp?id=vwugrad>. In addition to the university and supplemental applications, your academic credentials, and a TOEFL or IELTS score for international students, the following supporting documents should also be submitted:

- A 300-word Personal Statement. Please upload it at the Supplemental Materials --> Personal Statement link in your online application account.
- Three letters of recommendation. You should request your letters of recommendation through the online application system.
- An academic writing sample in the language of the area you are applying to study in. Please upload it at the Supplemental Materials --> Other Supporting Document.
- An academic writing sample in the language you are applying to teach, if different from the language of the area you are applying to study in. Please combine all your writing samples in one file and upload the file at the Supplemental Materials --> Other Supporting Document.
- A recorded sample of your speech in the language you are applying to teach. Please see below for instructions on what to record and how to submit the sample.

To be assured full consideration, the applications and supporting documents should be returned by February 1st. Admission is possible for the fall semester only. Your application for a graduate teaching assistantship cannot be considered unless you have been admitted to the program.

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**Part 1: To be completed by all applicants:**

1. Your first and last name:
  
2. M.A. program to which you are applying:      Linguistics      Spanish      TESOL      (please underline)
  
3. Honors, awards, and other evidence of scholarship:
  
4. Travel/Study Abroad (include locations and dates):
  
5. How did you learn about our M.A. program? Please provide the website, the contact information for the school or another source through which you found about our program.

**Part 2: To be completed by applicants for Graduate Teaching Assistantships:**

To be eligible for a graduate teaching assistantship, you must be admitted as a graduate student.

6. Please underline the language(s) which you are applying to teach.

Arabic    Chinese    English    French    German    Italian    Japanese    Portuguese    Russian    Spanish

7. Teaching Experience (if any):

8. Interaction with other cultures (e.g. foreign residence, cross-cultural studies or experience, etc):

9. Please submit the following even if you are a native speaker of the language you are applying to teach:
- A writing sample (such as a paper you have prepared for an academic course) if the language you are applying to teach is different from the one you are applying to study in **and**
  - A recording of your speech

Instructions on what to record:

- If you are applying to teach a language other than Chinese, please submit a three minute recording of an informal, natural conversation between you and a person of the opposite sex.
- If you are applying to teach Chinese, please submit a three minute self-introduction.

Instructions on how to submit your recording:

- Please record your file using your own device and email it to [w13aass@mail.wvu.edu](mailto:w13aass@mail.wvu.edu). In the Subject line, please put the name of the language that your recording is in, followed by your first and last name.

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