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You may be eligible to receive up to 48 credit points for previous honours or graduate level studies in the areas of social sciences/humanities or up to 24 credit points for previous undergraduate studies in the areas of social sciences/humanities or honours studies in an unrelated area. Applications for credit are assessed on a case-by-case basis. Studies must have been completed within ten years prior to the year of application for credit.

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How to apply

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Application Dates

- Applications for Semester 1 (March) - 30 November
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About the course structure

Duration
This course is 1.5 years full time and 3 years part time. Students with relevant qualifications or prior learning may be eligible for credit towards the degree and can complete the course in 1 year full time equivalent.

Example of subject offerings
This course consists of core and elective subjects, and a choice of specialisations.

Combined interpreting and translation
APG5875 Introduction to interpreting and translation studies
APG5049 Theory and practice of interpreting
APG5690 Applied translation
APG5691 Intermediate interpreting
APG5885 Advanced interpreting

Translation-only
APG5875 Introduction to interpreting and translation studies
APG5690 Applied Translation
APG5883 Major translation project part 1
APG5884 Major translation project part 2
APG5876 Theoretical issues in literary and cultural translation
APG5059 LLCL Internship

Conference interpreting and translation
NAATI-accredited professional interpreters with at least three years of documented practice may be eligible to start this specialisation from semester two. Contact the course coordinator for details.

NAATI accreditation
The Master of Interpreting and Translation Studies is approved by the National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters (NAATI) at the Professional Level (for translation and interpreting), and also at the Conference Interpreter level (for the conference interpreting specialisation). NAATI is the standards setting body for translation and Interpreting in Australia.

Course vision
Monash Translation and Interpreting Studies is committed to strong engagement with the language services industry, and with national and international public and private organisations that shape and respond to market and trading demands. Monash University is also a strong contributor to quality assessment reviews of translator and interpreter testing and certification at the national (NAATI) and international level.

Course strengths
The Master of Interpreting and Translation Studies offers interpreting and translation for the following languages: Chinese (Mandarin), French, German, Indonesian, Italian, Japanese, Korean, and Spanish. All streams are taught by academics and experienced translation/ interpreter practitioners.

Internships
As part of the course, students are required to complete at least 80 hours of professional internship in both translation and interpreting. In doing so students gain real world experience, pick up useful skills to prepare them for the transition from university to the workplace, and have the opportunity to build networks and improve their graduate employability prospects.

Career outcomes
The language services professions offer a wide variety of opportunities in interpreting (conference, community interpreting, translation (technical, audio-visual, literary), localisation (linguistic and cultural adaptation of texts to specific audiences) and inter-cultural communication in a range of business, commercial and policy contexts. These are areas of growth in a globalised and multilingual world. A degree in Translation and Interpreting Studies also opens doors to careers in areas such as publishing, editing and public relations. Our graduates gain employment as freelance interpreters and translators, contracted or in-house staff, or as project managers, in both the private and public sectors.

Industry integration
Monash University works closely with major national and international translation and interpreting agencies, such as OnCall, VITS, and Eftel Communications. Monash University also works with major healthcare providers, legal organisations, public policy and welfare organisations, and market consultancy companies. Students of the Master of Interpreting and Translation Studies are required to complete a practicum of 80 to 160 hours which includes visiting and working with these partner institutions and organisations.

International industry engagement
A major area of international activity is the development of joint Master and PhD programs with a view to building strategic global collaborations that will create opportunities for students to engage with international experts and enhance their employment prospects on an international scale.

Currently, we offer Double Master Degrees in Translation Studies with partner universities in France (Lyon), Italy (Trieste) and Japan (Kobe). These allow students to undertake studies at two universities and gain two Master Degrees after four semesters.

Campus location
The Master of Interpreting and Translation Studies is taught at both our Clayton and Caulfield campuses. Clayton is the largest of our six campuses. Caulfield is only 15 minutes from Melbourne’s CBD via train. Our campuses offer a rich array of sporting, cultural and educational events and modern facilities.

What makes Monash one of the world’s leading universities?
According to the Times Higher Education rankings 2013-2014:
- Ranked in the top 1% of universities globally.
- Among the top 50 universities in the world for Arts and Humanities.
- Regarded as a world-class research institution by independent organisations such as the Australian Research Council.

Learning outcomes
- Demonstrate advanced skills in translation and interpreting from/to English and another language. Demonstrate awareness of practical and theoretical approaches to translation/interpreting practice suitable for accreditation. Articulate and apply knowledge of global best practice in interpretation and translation in diverse professional contexts.
- Apply a critical familiarity with many of the key texts and cultural products pertaining to the field of study.
- Apply advanced reading, analytical and communication skills, both written and verbal.
- Demonstrate analytical skills.
- Demonstrate a thorough understanding of research methodology and ethics, and an ability to undertake independent research.

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future.arts.monash.edu/mits/