

# BACHELOR OF ARTS (INTERPRETING AND TRANSLATION) (1519)

**Approved Abbreviation:** BA(Interp&Trans)  
**Western Sydney University Program Code:** 1519  
**AQF Level:** 7

**CRICOS Code:** 041109C

This program applies to students who commenced in 2018 or later.

Students should follow the program structure for the session start date relevant to the year they commenced.

Commencement Year 2017 - 1519.7 Bachelor of Arts (Interpreting and Translation) (<http://handbook.westernsydney.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=1519.7>)

Commencement Year Spring 2015 to 2016 - 1519.6 Bachelor of Arts (Interpreting and Translation) (<http://handbook.westernsydney.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=1519.6>)

Commencement Year 2013 to Autumn 2015 - 1519.5 Bachelor of Arts (Interpreting and Translation) (<http://handbook.westernsydney.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=1519.5>)

Commencement Year 2012 - 1519.4 Bachelor of Arts (Interpreting and Translation) (<http://handbook.westernsydney.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=1519.4>)

Commencement Year 2010 to 2011 - 1519.3 Bachelor of Arts (Interpreting and Translation) (<http://handbook.westernsydney.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=1519.3>)

Commencement Year 2007 to 2009 - 1519.2 Bachelor of Arts (Interpreting and Translation) (<http://handbook.westernsydney.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=1519.2>)

Commencement Year 2001 to 2006 - 1519.1 Bachelor of Arts (Interpreting and Translation) (<http://handbook.westernsydney.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=1519.1>)

This program is designed to provide students with appropriate training and theoretical background to equip them to work as professional interpreters and/or translators. The program consists of a key field of study in Interpreting and Translation and a major in language, linguistics and cultural studies. Students also complete a period of professional practical experience and sit for capstone examinations which qualify them to seek Certification by the National Accreditation Authority for Translation and Interpreters [NAATI].

Students in 1519 Bachelor of Arts (Interpreting and Translation) may qualify for the alternate exit program 1813 Bachelor of Arts (Interpreting and Translation Studies). (<https://handbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-arts-interpreting-translation-studies-exit-only/>)

- Director of Academic Program - Dr Peter Mauch

## Study Mode

Three years full-time or six years part-time

## Program Advice

[enquiriesHCA@westernsydney.edu.au](mailto:enquiriesHCA@westernsydney.edu.au)

Prospective students should visit the following websites for general enquiries about this program.

Enquire about this program (<https://enquiry.westernsydney.edu.au/courseenquiry/>) | Local Admission (<https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/>) | International Admission (<https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/international/home/apply/admissions/>) |

## Location

Campus	Attendance	Mode	Advice
Parramatta City Campus- Macquarie Street	Full Time	Internal	See above
Parramatta City Campus- Macquarie Street	Part Time	Internal	See above

## Accreditation

This program is an Endorsed Qualification for the National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters (NAATI) at the Certified Interpreter and Translator level (formerly Level 3). Students who wish to sit for NAATI Certification must pass the subject LANG 3067 Preparation for NAATI Certification (UG). Students who are unable to pass this subject will be able to graduate with the Bachelor of Arts (Interpreting and Translation Studies) as an alternative exit, provided they pass an alternative subject of 10 credit points.

## Inherent Requirements

There are inherent requirements for this program that you must meet in order to complete your program and graduate. Make sure you read and understand the requirements for this program online.

Inherent Requirements ([https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/ir/inherent\\_requirements/inherent\\_requirements\\_for\\_interpreting\\_and\\_translation\\_courses/](https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/ir/inherent_requirements/inherent_requirements_for_interpreting_and_translation_courses/))

## Work Integrated Learning

Western Sydney University seeks to enhance student learning experiences by enabling students to engage in the culture, expectations and practices of their profession or discipline. This program includes a placement or other community-based unpaid practical experience.

There is a mandatory work component required for completion of this program. Please contact the Program Advisor listed above for information.

International students should also refer to the link below for more information and a link to the Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS).

Work Integrated Learning (WIL) for international students ([https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/currentstudents/current\\_students/services\\_and\\_facilities/international\\_student\\_support/working\\_in\\_australia/work\\_integrated\\_learning/](https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/currentstudents/current_students/services_and_facilities/international_student_support/working_in_australia/work_integrated_learning/))

## Admission

Any two units of English and a high level of proficiency (native or near-native level) in one of the languages offered in the program.

Applications from Australian and New Zealand citizens and holders of permanent resident visas may be made via the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) or directly through the Western Portal. Use the links below to apply via UAC or Western Sydney University. Applications made directly to Western Sydney do not have an application fee.

<http://www.uac.edu.au/>

<https://westernsydney.uac.edu.au/ws/>

Applicants who have undertaken studies overseas may have to provide proof of proficiency in English. Local applicants who are applying through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) will find details of minimum English proficiency requirements and acceptable proof on the UAC website. Local applicants applying directly to the University should also use the information provided on the UAC website.

International students currently completing an Australian Year 12 in or outside Australia, an International Baccalaureate in Australia or a New Zealand National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) level 3 must apply via UAC International.

<http://www.uac.edu.au/>

All other International applicants must apply directly to the University via the International Office.

International students applying to the University through the International Office can find details of minimum English proficiency requirements and acceptable proof on their website.

International Office (<http://www.westernsydney.edu.au/international/>)

Overseas qualifications must be deemed by the Australian Education International - National Office of Overseas Skills Recognition (AEI-NOOSR) to be equivalent to Australian qualifications in order to be considered by UAC and Western Sydney University.

## Program Structure

Qualification for this award requires the successful completion of 240 credit points including the subjects listed in the recommended sequence

- 90 credit points of core subjects including 40 credit points of the BA core subjects
- 60 credit points of Interpreting and Translation subjects
- 30 credit points of Linguistics subjects
- 60 credit points of Level 3 Language and English Consolidation Pool subjects

Note: Students in 1519 Bachelor of Arts (Interpreting and Translation) who do not complete subject LANG 3067 Preparation for NAATI Certification (UG) may qualify for the alternate exit program 1813 Bachelor of Arts (Interpreting and Translation Studies) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-arts-interpreting-translation-studies-exit-only/>) by completing any additional 10 credit point subject from the Linguistics or Language pool subjects or from any subject in 1706 Bachelor of Arts (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-arts/>).

### Bachelor of Arts Core Subjects (40 credit points)

Subject	Title	Credit Points
HUMN 1052	Australian Politics and Active Citizenship	10
LANG 1030	Thinking Critically About Texts and Society	10
HUMN 1053	Diversity, Language and Culture	10
LANG 1029	Foundations of Academic English	10
<b>Total Credit Points</b>		<b>40</b>

### Equivalent Core Subjects

The core subjects listed below count towards completion of this program for students who passed these subjects in 2019 or earlier.

HUMN 1002 - Analytical Reading and Writing, replaced by LANG 1029 Foundations of Academic English

HUMN 1005 - Australia and the World, replaced by HUMN 1052

Australian Politics and Active Citizenship

HUMN 1009 - Contemporary Society, replaced by HUMN 1053 Diversity, Language and Culture

LANG 1026 - Texts and Traditions, replaced by LANG 1030 Thinking Critically About Texts and Society

### Interpreting and Translation Pool

Students must complete 60 credit points from the Interpreting and Translation pool

Subject	Title	Credit Points
Select 60 credit points of the following:		60
LANG 2014	Community Translation (UG)	
LANG 2023	Interpreting Skills	
LANG 3060	Legal Interpreting (UG)	
LANG 3065	Medical Interpreting (UG)	
LANG 3083	Specialised Translation (UG)	
LANG 3084	Text Analysis for Translation (UG)	
LANG 2047	Translation Technologies	
<b>Total Credit Points</b>		<b>60</b>

### Linguistics Pool

Students must complete 30 credit points of Linguistics pool subjects from the Bachelor of Arts

Linguistics, Major (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/linguistics-major/>)

### Languages and English Consolidation Pool

Students must complete 60 credit points from this pool (any combination of Level 3 language subjects and English subjects listed below)

#### English Consolidation

Subject	Title	Credit Points
TEAC 1012	English as an International Language	10
TEAC 2025	English Language Analysis	10
LANG 2055	English Text	10
INFO 2009	Multiliteracies	10

#### Equivalent Subjects

The subject listed below counts towards completion of the 60 credit points from this pool for students who passed this subject in 2019 or earlier.

LANG 2048 - Working Grammar

The subject listed below counts towards completion of the 60 credit points from this pool for students who passed this subject in 2020 or earlier.

TEAC 3008 - English Language Linguistics

The subject listed below counts towards completion of the 60 credit points from this pool for students who passed this subject in 2021 or earlier.

COMM 2050 - Multiliteracies

**Arabic**

Click the link below to refer to the Level 3 Arabic language pool from the Bachelor of Arts

Arabic, Major (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/arabic-major/>)

**Chinese**

Click the link below to refer to the Level 3 Chinese language pool from the Bachelor of Arts

Chinese, Major (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/chinese-major/>)

**Japanese**

Click the link below to refer to the Level 3 Japanese language pool from the Bachelor of Arts

Japanese, Major (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/japanese-major/>)

**Spanish**

*Some subjects below need to be completed cross-institutionally as they are no longer available at Western Sydney University*

Subject	Title	Credit Points
LANG 3074	Spanish 301	10
LANG 3075	Spanish 302	10
LANG 3076	Spanish 303: Advanced Writing Skills	10
LANG 3077	Spanish 304: Advanced Speaking Skills	10
LANG 3078	Spanish 305: Contemporary Literature	10
LANG 3079	Spanish 306: Contemporary History	10
LANG 3080	Spanish 307: Classical Literature	10
LANG 3081	Spanish 308: Spanish Sociolinguistics	10
LANG 3045	Intercultural Communication	10
LANG 3082	Special Study in Languages and Linguistics	10
LANG 3072	Short Fiction in the Americas	10

**Recommended Sequence****Full-time**

Course	Title	Credit Points
<b>Year 1</b>		
<b>Autumn session</b>		
LANG 1017	Introduction to Translation	10
LANG 1014	Introduction to Linguistics	10
LANG 1029	Foundations of Academic English	10
Select one subject from the Language and English Consolidation pool (Language subjects must be Level 3)		10
<b>Credit Points</b>		<b>40</b>
<b>Spring session</b>		
LANG 1013	Introduction to Interpreting	10
HUMN 1052	Australian Politics and Active Citizenship	10
LANG 1030	Thinking Critically About Texts and Society	10
Select one subject from the Language and English Consolidation pool (Language subjects must be Level 3)		10
<b>Credit Points</b>		<b>40</b>
<b>Year 2</b>		
<b>Autumn session</b>		
HUMN 1053	Diversity, Language and Culture	10

Select two Interpreting and Translation pool subjects	20
Select one subject from the Language and English Consolidation pool (Language subjects must be Level 3)	10

**Credit Points 40**

**Spring session**

Select two Interpreting and Translation pool subjects	20
Select one Linguistics pool subject	10
Select one subject from the Language and English Consolidation pool (Language subjects must be Level 3)	10

**Credit Points 40**

**Year 3****Autumn session**

Select one Interpreting and Translation pool subject	10
Select two Linguistics pool subjects	20
Select one subject from the Language and English Consolidation pool (Language subjects must be Level 3)	10

**Credit Points 40**

**Spring session**

LANG 3067	Preparation for NAATI Certification (UG)	10
LANG 3049	Interpreting and Translation Professional Practicum (UG)	10
Select one Interpreting and Translation pool subject		10
Select one subject from the Language and English Consolidation pool (Language subjects must be Level 3)		10

**Credit Points 40**

**Total Credit Points 240**