



Georgia State University
University Library Collection Development Policy
Department of Applied Linguistics and
English as a Second Language



Purpose: To support the curriculum and research goals of the Applied Linguistics and English as a Second Language Department in the College of Arts and Sciences. The Department of Applied Linguistics and English as a Second Language is committed to excellence in the preparation of second/foreign language teachers and researchers, in the teaching of English to speakers of other languages, and in other applications of applied linguistics theory to the solution of real world problems. This goal is achieved by providing instruction, support, and inspiration to those interested in applied linguistics in general and in the teaching of English as a second or foreign language in particular. The department's instructional programs and research activities are designed for current and prospective language teachers, language learners, curriculum designers, materials and test developers, program administrators, teacher educators, and researchers in the field. All units housed within the department support this focus. Reflecting the goals of the wider university, the department seeks to provide a range of activities which prepare students to think critically, make ethical and informed choices, appreciate diverse cultures and ideas, and become creative problem-solvers.

The department creates and maintains a multi-cultural and multi-national student population through the active recruitment of students from a variety of ethnic and international backgrounds. The department offers the PhD, an MA, and a Bachelor's in Interdisciplinary Studies (BIS) in Language Studies. The collection development plan focuses on the needs of the PhD program since meeting those will also meet most of the needs of the other two degree programs.

General Collection Guidelines:

- a. Languages: English is the language of collection emphasis.
- b. Chronological Guidelines: Current scholarship is emphasized.
- c. Geographical Guidelines: US and UK publications. Relevant scholarship in linguistics and applied linguistics may be international in nature, but in English language translation.
- d. Treatment of Subject: Research and graduate level materials are of primary importance.
- e. Types of Material: Monographs, serials, audiovisual, and digitalized materials will be added to the collection as required.
- f. Date of Publication: Primarily current imprints are selected.

Observations and Qualifications
by Subject Subdivision:

Collecting Level

Corpus Linguistics	4
General theoretical Linguistics	3C
Applied Linguistics	4
Sociolinguistics	4
Psycholinguistics	4
Discourse and Textual Analysis	4
English Grammar	4
Reading and the Teaching of Second Language Reading	4
Composition and the Teaching of Second Language Composition	4
Oral Skills, Pronunciation, Spoken English	4
Second Language Acquisition	4
Intercultural Communication	4
Second or Foreign Language Teaching	4
Second/Foreign Language Assessment	4
Computers and Language Learning	4
English for Specific Purposes	4
Pragmatics	3C