



香港科技大學

THE HONG KONG UNIVERSITY OF  
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

# *Master of Arts in* **INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGE EDUCATION**

*English-Medium Instruction*

## **HKUST Ranking**

**1<sup>st</sup>**

**in Global  
Employability  
in Hong Kong**

**3<sup>rd</sup>**

**in Global  
Employability  
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**44<sup>th</sup>**

**in the  
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- **Two specialized concentrations:**
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- **1 year full-time Master's study in Hong Kong**

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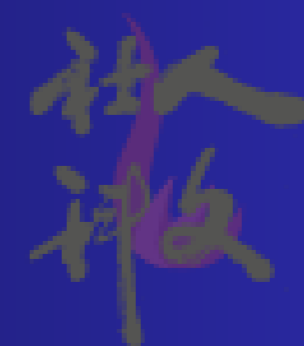
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## Program objectives and requirements

The program offers advanced postgraduate education, taught in English, with two specialized concentrations: Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL), and Teaching Chinese as a Second Language (TCSL). Our research-informed approach to language education prepares language professionals for a dynamic global career in teaching English or Chinese as a second or other language. The program provides a solid foundation across a broad range of language education and applied linguistics topics.

The MAILE Program students are required to take eight courses (24 credits) in total.

## Target candidates

- Graduates who have already completed a relevant bachelor's degree in the fields of language, linguistics, language acquisition, and/or language teaching from a recognized institution.
- In-service English or Chinese language instructors who wish to take a 1-year career-development break.
- Language curriculum developers and other qualified language-related professionals.
- People from related fields interested in the international language education industry.

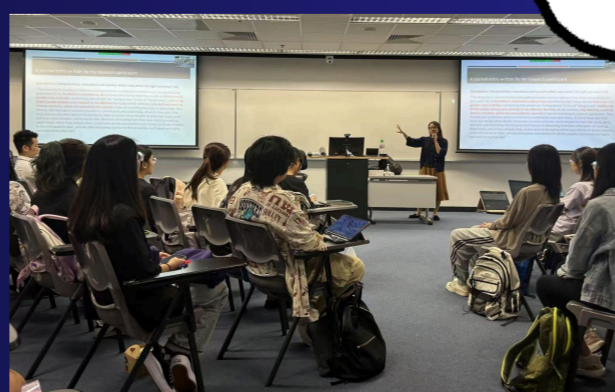
## Student life and activities

As well as academic courses, we offer a range of internships, teaching and research projects, and career-related sessions to prepare our students for their future research journeys or career paths. We also provide various lectures and extracurricular activities to ensure a diverse and enriching year at HKUST.

- Cross-Campus Internship
- Learning League Project
- Research Experience Project
- Guest Speaker Talks
- Alumni Sharing Sessions
- Extracurricular Activities



Highlights



## What do MAILE alumni say?

The employment options for MAILE graduates are highly diverse. In addition to approximately 60% of graduates securing teaching positions in the Chinese Mainland and Hong Kong each year, a significant number of students choose to challenge themselves in various industries, including banking, publishing, journalism, corporate human resources, and project management. Furthermore, if you are considering further education, our program is an excellent choice. Each year, 13% of graduates opt to continue their studies, pursuing MPhil and PhD degrees around the world. Today, MAILE alumni can be found across a wide range of sectors globally. Let's take a moment to hear about their experiences in the program!



**"MAILE has been a challenging yet rewarding journey, featuring intensive training, impressive classmates and inspiring instructors. Life is brief, but blessed with this enjoyable learning experience!"**

**HE Binwei, MAILE TE 2023 (Senior High English Teacher, Shenzhen)**

**"MAILE not only empowered me to find my own voice, but also opened my eyes to the dynamic world of EMI schools in Hong Kong."**

**CHEN Weiyi, MAILE TC 2023 (Primary School Associate Teacher, Hong Kong)**



**"Studying the Master's program at HKUST has been an incredible experience, allowing me to deepen my knowledge and connect with diverse individuals. The supportive professors and peers have greatly fostered my personal growth. I really appreciate this experience."**

**HAYASHI Yokinin, MAILE TE 2023 (Teacher, Hong Kong Vocational Training Council)**

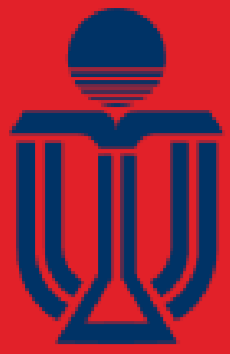
**"Whether you aim to pursue a research career or deepen your understanding of teaching, you can find your way in MAILE."**

**LUO Jing, MAILE TC 2020 (PhD student, The University of Minnesota, USA)**



**"Pursuing the Master's Degree in MAILE at HKUST is an absolutely unforgettable experience: academic atmosphere, supportive staff, breathtaking scenery, and most importantly, our professional and lovely teachers."**

**Sophie LI, MAILE TE 2014 (Senior Program Manager, The University of Hong Kong)**



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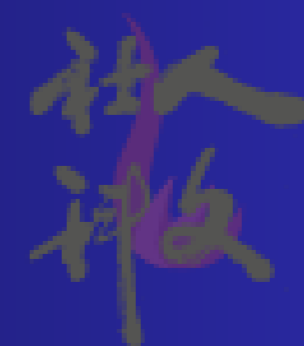
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