



MAFLT Admissions Procedures

The Master of Arts in Foreign Language Teaching at Michigan State University - <http://maflt.cal.msu.edu/apply/>

Basic Requirement to be Considered for Admission

To be admitted to the program, you must have a baccalaureate degree or its equivalent from a recognized educational institution.

Application Deadlines

The MAFLT Program accepts applications at any time. However, your application must be **complete** and **received in full** by the following dates if you want to begin coursework in the next semester. You must indicate on your application when you want to start coursework.

- **April 1** (for summer enrollment)
- **June 1** (for fall enrollment)
- **October 15** (for spring enrollment)

The MAFLT Program does not provide K-12 licensure. Many students in the program are already K-12 certified teachers or teach (or will teach) in private schools, universities, community colleges, or abroad.

Transcript Translations: Transcripts not in English must be translated word-for-word by an ATA (American Translation Agency) translator (see <http://www.atanet.org>), or by 7Clingo (<http://www.7clingo.com/>). Questions? Email winke@msu.edu.

Steps in the Application Process

- ▶ (1) Submit a Graduate School application: <http://grad.msu.edu/apply/online.aspx>. Include (a) through (e) below. The MAFLT Graduate Study Major code is **5724**.
 - Personal statement:** Your personal statement should include information about how your background and life experiences, including social, economic, cultural, familial, educational, or other opportunities or challenges motivate you to pursue a graduate degree.
 - Academic statement:** Please provide a concise academic statement of your plans for graduate study, your career goals, and how MSU's graduate program will help you meet your career and educational objectives. Additionally, please discuss how this online learning format fits your goals and characteristics as a learner.
 - Contacts for three (3) letters of recommendation:** In the gradportal, provide the names and email addresses for recommenders who are familiar with your academic and professional accomplishments and potential for success. At least one recommendation letter should be from a former professor, academic advisor, or other individual familiar with your academic background and abilities. The letters of recommendation must be current and specifically for the MAFLT Program. After you submit your online application, the system will send an email to each of your references containing a link so they can upload their letters of recommendations directly into your application file.

All recommendation letters are due by the application deadline.
 - Under "File Uploads" in the grad portal, select Document Type "Resume" and upload your **Resume** (or CV).
 - Lastly, and if you wish, you may submit under "File Uploads" up to two (2) additional pieces of evidence that you believe will help the admissions committee understand your unique strengths or promise as a graduate student in this program.
 - Examples of your prior work with technology, e.g., website link; link to an electronic portfolio, etc. You can type the URL(s) and a short description of the website(s) in a Word document and submit that document under "Other."
 - Writing Sample (a senior thesis, class paper, or other writing sample)
- ▶ (2) Submit one of the following test scores, depending on whether you are a native or non-native speaker of English:
 - For native speakers of English or non-native speakers of English who received a MA or BA at a North American, British, Australian or New Zealand institution in the past: Send in your **GRE** Scores. If you believe you qualify for a GRE waiver, email winke@msu.edu.
 - For non-native speakers of English: Send in your **TOEFL** score of 600 (250 CBT or 100 iBT) or higher or an **IELTS** score of 7.5 or higher (MSU institution code=1465).
- ▶ (3) Request Official Transcripts from places where you got a higher education degree. Have them sent **directly from the university** to us by mail to the MAFLT Program Coordinator (address below). The **envelop** must be **official** and indicate the university mailed it, not you or anyone else. If your university sends e-transcripts, they can send to lowl@msu.edu. If you have an MSU transcript, no need to send. See box at left if your transcript is not in English. If your transcript is from China, you must submit transcript verification, as described here: <http://maflt.cal.msu.edu/>

QUESTIONS? MAFLT Contact Information:

MAFLT Program Coordinator
Center for Language Teaching Advancement (CeLTA)
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Check your application status! <https://admissions.msu.edu/gradportal>