

Graduate Certificate in TESOL

Recommendations regarding admission will be made by the co-directors of the TESOL program in conjunction with the Graduate Director.

The TESOL certificate is an online program.

Admission Requirements

For admission into the TESOL Certificate program, applicants must satisfy the following criteria:

1. A bachelor's degree from an accredited institution.
2. An accumulative grade point average of 3.0 over the last two years of undergraduate course work for the B.A.
3. Three letters of recommendation, preferably from professors, or colleagues who know the applicant's recent academic or professional work.
4. Applicants whose first language is not English need to meet the following TOEFL requirements for Classified admission:
 - a. Internet-based test (iBT): a total score of 80 with a score of at least 20 on each Section (graduate assistants who teach courses must score 23 or above on the Speaking Section) on the iBT; or
 - b. Computer-based test: a total score of 213 with a score of at least 21 on Section 1 (Listening Comprehension) on the computer test; or
 - c. Paper-based test: a total score of 550 with a score of at least 55 on Section 1 (Listening Comprehension) on the paper test, or a score of 84 on the MTELP, or a score of 6 on the IELTS.
5. Optional: GRE general test scores may be submitted for consideration, but are not required for admission.

It is strongly recommended that applicants have some knowledge of a second language.

General Requirements

The certificate program is 12 credits and is granted alone or in addition to a graduate degree.

All students must take the following courses:

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| ENGL 6680 | Introduction to Linguistics | 3 |
| ENGL 6681 | Theory of Second Language Acquisition | 3 |
| ENGL 6682 | TESL Methodology | 3 |
| ENGL 7783 | Practicum in Second Language Teaching | 3 |
| Total Credits | | 12 |