# Graduate Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

The Graduate Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) prepares English language teachers, English language program administrators, language testers, and educational materials writers to work in contexts where English is a foreign language (EFL contexts). The objectives of the certificate are to develop professionals with a) knowledge of the structure of the English language; b) an understanding of how languages are used and learned; and c) skills in designing and implementing pedagogical tasks to facilitate language learning.

## Requirements

The certificate consists of 18 graduate credit hours divided among five core courses and one elective course. Begin your course work with LTC 8645, LTC 8648 or both.

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| **Required core courses** | | |
| LTC 8644 | Teaching English Grammar and Pronunciation | 3 |
| LTC 8645 | Second Language Acquisition | 3 |
| LTC 8648 | Linguistics for Educators | 3 |
| LTC 8649 | Methods of Teaching English Language Learners | 3 |
| LTC 8650 | English to Speakers of Other Languages Practicum * | 3 |
| **Electives (choose one)** | | |
| LTC 8900 | Seminar in Curriculum and Instruction (Teaching Languages Online) | 1-3 |
| LTC 8900 | Seminar in Curriculum and Instruction (Materials in Language Teaching) | 1-3 |
| LTC 8643 | Teaching ESL/EFL to Adult Learners | 3 |
| LTC 8646 | Materials for and Assessment of English Language Learners | 3 |
| LTC 8647 | Language and Culture for Educators | 3 |
| LTC 8654 | ESOL Curriculum Development | 3 |
| You may choose electives from other programs in consultation with your advisor. | | |

* Upon completion of your core courses, you must complete a 16-week practicum, supervised online by a TESOL faculty member. If you currently teach English language learners, you may conduct the practicum in your own classroom. You cannot take LTC 8649 and LTC 8650 in the same semester.

## Contact Information

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