

Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

About the Program

The Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages provides preparation through study and practice for the individual who wishes to teach English to speakers of other languages. It is available to any student who has been admitted for graduate study at UT Arlington.

Competencies

1. Upon completion, graduate TESOL certificate students will be able to demonstrate knowledge of the structural properties of language at the sound, word, sentence, and meaning levels.
2. Upon completion, graduate TESOL certificate students will be able to produce constructive critiques of lesson plans specifically regarding how well these plans reflect principles of communicative language teaching.
3. Upon completion, graduate TESOL certificate students will be able to successfully articulate how they have applied principles of language teaching and/or learning to meet the needs of specific English language learners.
4. The graduates from the graduate certificate in TESOL program will be prepared to secure employment in a field related to their studies or continue their studies in a related graduate program.

Admissions Requirements

Students wishing to apply to the UT Arlington solely for the purpose of earning the Graduate Certificate in TESOL must have earned an undergraduate degree at an accredited institution and present an undergraduate GPA of at least 3.0. Applicants for whom English is not their native language and who have not been granted an undergraduate degree by an English-medium institution must also present an official Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) score of at least 100 iBt, or IELTS equivalent score.

Students seeking to transfer from Special Student or Certificate status into a graduate degree program at UT Arlington must re-apply to the UT Arlington as degree-seeking students and meet all published admissions requirements, including those pertaining to standardized tests. No student will be "automatically" or "exceptionally" moved from Special Student or Certificate status into any graduate degree program.

The Web site for the UT Arlington Office of Graduate Studies provides additional information about graduate study at UT Arlington and about the admission process, including general testing requirements and other paperwork. Students may apply for admission online or request application materials be sent via post.

Curriculum

Foundations

LING 5301	INTRO TO COMMUNICATIVE LANGUAGE TEACHING ^{2,3}	3
or LING 5302	METHODS IN TEACHING READING AND WRITING	
LING 5309	LINGUISTICS FOR LANGUAGE PROFESSIONALS ¹	3
LING 5305	SECOND LANGUAGE ACQUISITION ¹	3
LING 5304	PEDAGOGICAL GRAMMAR OF ENGLISH	3
or LING 5307	PEDAGOGICAL PHONOLOGY OF ENGLISH	
or LING 5308	LANGUAGE ASSESSMENT	
LING 5315	READINGS AND RESEARCH IN PEDAGOGY AND PRACTICE	3
or LING 5354	METHODS AND MATERIALS TO TEACH ENGLISH AS A SECOND OR FOREIGN LANGUAGE	
LING 5316	TEACHING WITH TECHNOLOGY	3
or LING 5318	APPLIED PSYCHOLINGUISTICS	

Practicum

LING 5110	TESOL PRACTICUM	1
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Total Hours **19**

¹ LING 5309 (or equivalent linguistics course work) is a prerequisite for LING 5305.

² LING 5301 is a prerequisite for LING 5304 and LING 5307.

³ Even if the student presents an equivalency of LING 5300, LING 5301, and/or other course work, the 18-hour requirement must be met.

A maximum of three credit hours of course work done at another institution can be transferred in and counted toward the certificate (with an official transcript submitted to show this course, and with approval of the graduate advisor.)

Upon beginning study for the certificate, the student should contact the Graduate Advisor in TESOL to declare the intention to earn the certificate.

Advising Resources

Students are highly encouraged to meet regularly with their assigned advisor—at least once per semester and before enrolling in classes—to ensure steady academic progress, identify new opportunities, and align their coursework with their long-term career goals.

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Meet our advisors (<https://www.uta.edu/academics/schools-colleges/liberal-arts/departments/linguistics/current-students/advising/>)