



Certificates, Degrees and Admissions Options for Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

Seattle University and the School of Teaching ESL have created a cooperative agreement that gives students several choices regarding professional development in teaching English to speakers of other languages (TESOL).

The purpose of this booklet is to provide an overview of the choices and the admissions requirements associated with each option. The certificates and degree programs described here are designed for those who wish to teach English to individuals whose first language is not English. Teaching positions may be available in the United States or in other countries in a wide variety of private or public schools, agencies and organizations. Typically, those who seek certification or a graduate degree are seeking opportunities to teach English in the following situations:

- In another country (English as a foreign language – EFL);
- As a second language in K-12 schools in the United States (English as a second language – ESL);
- And/or as a second language to adult learners in technical and community colleges, language schools, social service programs and/or workplace programs (ESL).

Washington State ESL Supporting Endorsement

The Seattle University EPDES credits are accepted by the State of Washington's Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) toward additional endorsement requirements for teaching ESL in elementary and secondary schools.

School of Teaching ESL Certificate Programs

School of Teaching ESL offers two certificates that provide practical preparation for those who seek or currently hold ESL/EFL positions:

- Certificate – requires a minimum of four courses (12 credits) including EPDES 930 and three other courses from the EPDES 930-945 sequence (see the School of Teaching ESL course brochure for more information about these courses).
- Advanced Certificate – requires completion of the Certificate and 12 additional credits, including EPDES 940.

Students must maintain a 3.0 grade point average in course work to be eligible for either certificate. Additional educational and experience requirements may exist for ESL and EFL teaching positions. For example, individuals who wish to teach in the elementary and secondary schools in the State of Washington will need a state-issued teaching certificate. School of Teaching ESL certificates may only partially meet professional preparation requirements set by sponsoring agencies and organizations.

Seattle University Degree Programs

Seattle University offers several master's level degree options:

- **Master's Degree in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL):**
 - ♦ Designed for those who wish to teach English as a second or foreign language.
 - ♦ May be used in adult ed. settings or in elementary or secondary school settings with a teaching certificate.
 - ♦ Provides in-depth preparation in practical and theoretical foundations in second language acquisition.
 - ♦ A maximum of 12 credits from School of Teaching ESL may be applied to this degree.
- **Master's Degree in Adult Education and Training:**
 - ♦ Designed for those who wish to teach adult learners in adult basic education, ESL, or training and development programs.
 - ♦ Provides a broad orientation to adult education, learning in adulthood, and course design and instruction.
 - ♦ A maximum of 12 credits from School of Teaching ESL may be applied to this degree.
- **Master in Teaching Degree:**
 - ♦ Designed for those who wish to teach in elementary or secondary schools.
 - ♦ Structured as a full-time program that meets state teacher certification requirements.
 - ♦ A maximum of three credits from School of Teaching ESL may be applied to this degree.
 - ♦ Special application deadlines apply.
- **Master's Degree in Curriculum and Instruction:**
 - ♦ Designed for those with a baccalaureate degree in education or a teaching certificate.
 - ♦ Provides continuing professional education for teachers, curriculum directors, department chairs, and other education professionals.
 - ♦ A maximum of 12 credits from School of Teaching ESL may be applied to this degree. *(continued on back page)*

Seattle University Certificate Programs

Seattle University offers two certificate options:

- **Post-Master's Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages:**
 - ♦ Designed for those with a master's degree in a subject other than TESOL.
 - ♦ Provides specialized preparation in teaching ESL or EFL.
 - ♦ Up to nine credits from School of Teaching ESL are a part of this certificate.
 - ♦ At least 15 credits must be regular, 500-level Seattle University courses.
- **Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages:**
 - ♦ Designed for matriculated Seattle University students with a bachelor's degree or higher.
 - ♦ Awarded upon satisfactory completion of 12 credits (Certificate) or 24 credits (Advanced Certificate) from School of Teaching ESL.
 - ♦ Courses included in this certificate program conform to the State of Washington's OSPI guidelines to add a Washington State ESL Supporting Endorsement.

International Students

International students seeking admission to Seattle University as undergraduate post-baccalaureate or graduate students must complete an International Student application in addition to the regular graduate student application. These applications are available at the Seattle University Admissions Office. International students must comply with special application deadlines as listed in the International Student Application packet.

Program Locations and Course Schedules

Seattle University is located on Seattle's First Hill. Seattle University courses are offered on the main campus and at an off-site location in Bellevue. The campus provides a full array of support services for students, including a library, computer resource center, and recreation facility. Graduate courses are scheduled in the late afternoons and evenings to accommodate working adults. Courses generally meet one time per week over an 11-week quarter.

The School of Teaching ESL is located approximately seven miles north of Seattle University in the Licton Springs neighborhood near North Seattle Community College. The facility consists of two classrooms, a bookstore, an employment resource area, computer room, and administrative offices. School of Teaching ESL courses are offered throughout the year and are scheduled in two formats:

- **Regular Courses** – meet one night per week throughout the quarter (usually four courses are scheduled per quarter).
- **Intensive Courses** – meet approximately six hours daily for four weeks (there are 11 starting dates for intensive courses throughout the year).

Students may earn the certificates through either course format or in a combination of formats.

Contact Information for Seattle University and School of Teaching ESL Programs

Admissions Office

Seattle University
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Seattle, WA 98122-1090
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(206) 296-5656 (fax)
admissions@seattleu.edu
www.seattleu.edu

Adult Ed. & TESOL Programs

College of Education
Seattle University
P.O. Box 222000
Seattle, WA 98122-1090
(206) 296-5908
(206) 296-5635 (fax)
wsun@seattleu.edu
www.seattleu.edu/coe/

School of Teaching ESL

9620 Stone Avenue N. Suite 101
Seattle, WA 98103

(206) 781-8607
(206) 781-8922 (fax)
STESLinfo@seattleu.edu
www.SCHOOLOFTESL.com

Request for Seattle University College of Education Degree Program Information

Please send me more information regarding the following program(s):

_____ Master's Degree in Adult Ed. & Training
_____ Master's Degree in Curriculum & Instruction
_____ Master in Teaching (MIT) Degree

_____ Master's Degree in TESOL
_____ Post-Master's Certificate in TESOL

Name: _____
Address: _____
E-mail: _____

Day Ph: _____
Eve. Ph: _____
E-mail: _____

Please detach this section and send to: Admissions Office, Seattle University, P.O. Box 222000, Seattle, WA 98122-1090.

Admission Options and Requirements to School of Teaching ESL and Seattle University Programs

ADMISSIONS OPTION ONE: ENROLLMENT WITH THE SCHOOL OF TEACHING ESL: NO APPLICATION OR MATRICULATION WITH SEATTLE UNIVERSITY

Expected Results of Option One:

Seattle University credits? Yes

Seattle University transcript? Yes, upon request

Seattle University certificate? Yes, upon request

School of Teaching ESL certificate? Yes, in special circumstances

Graduate status for credits earned? Optional, following these procedures:

- Applicant must hold a bachelor's degree to apply for Graduate status.
- Request graduate status for course work at the beginning of the School of Teaching ESL course
- Earn a "B" (3.0) or better in the class
- Complete an additional project for each School of Teaching ESL course that demonstrates a higher level of analysis and synthesis than that required for professional development (post-baccalaureate) credit.
- Pay a project review/reader's fee (due when project is submitted) to have the additional School of Teaching ESL course work evaluated.
- Petition to have credits accepted after admitted to a graduate program (within Seattle University time restrictions).

Admission Requirements and Procedures for Option One:

- Bachelor's degree or advanced degree from a regionally-accredited college or professional school; and
- Proficiency in English listening, speaking, reading and writing as demonstrated by one of the following:
 - ◆ English is applicant's first language;
 - ◆ Bachelor's degree or advanced degree from an English language regionally-accredited college or professional school;
 - ◆ Successful completion of an approved ESL program; or
 - ◆ TOEFL score of 580 (237 computer-based score) or higher, with a minimum of 54 (20 computer-based score) on each section is required if the applicant's original language is not English.
- Students who do not meet these requirements may request permission for an exception from the Director of the School of Teaching ESL.
- Applicants must send the completed School of Teaching ESL Registration Form to the School of Teaching ESL.

ADMISSIONS OPTION TWO: ENROLLMENT WITH THE SCHOOL OF TEACHING ESL AND APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE AT SEATTLE UNIVERSITY

Expected Results of Option Two:

Seattle University credits? Yes

Seattle University transcript? Yes, upon request

Seattle University certificate? Yes, upon request

School of Teaching ESL certificate? Yes, in special circumstances

Graduate status for credits earned? Required, following these procedures:

- Applicant must hold a bachelor's degree to apply for graduate status.
- Request graduate status for course work at the beginning of the School of Teaching ESL course
- Earn a "B" (3.0) or better in the class
- Complete an additional project for each School of Teaching ESL course that demonstrates a higher level of analysis and synthesis than that required for professional development (post-baccalaureate) credit.
- Pay a project review/reader's fee (due when project is submitted) to have the additional School of Teaching ESL course work evaluated.
- Petition to have credits accepted via the regular graduate program procedure (within Seattle University time restrictions).

Admission Requirements and Procedures for Option Two:

- Bachelor's degree or advanced degree from a regionally-accredited college or professional school; and
- Proficiency in English listening, speaking, reading and writing as demonstrated by one of the following:
 - ◆ English is applicant's first language;
 - ◆ TOEFL score of 580 (237 computer-based score) or higher, with a minimum of 54 (20 computer-based score) on each section is required if the applicant's original language is not English.
- US applicants must complete a Seattle University Graduate Admission form. International applicants must complete the Seattle University International Student Application for Admission. Applications must be sent to Seattle University with all required supporting documentation.
- If you are taking the S-TESL courses as the first quarter of your graduate studies, you must take at least one on-campus graduate course the second quarter to keep your graduate status active.

SEATTLE UNIVERSITY DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF GRADUATE APPLICATION MATERIALS

Fall: August 20

Winter: November 20

Spring: February 20

Summer: May 20