TEACHING ENGLISH TO SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES CERTIFICATE

Department of English, College of Arts & Sciences

Vision Statement
The Department of English offers students the opportunity to obtain a Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages. Completion of these requirements does not certify a graduate to teach in Nebraska public schools. Instead, it is an academic credential meant for teachers already certified in other areas, for people who plan to teach in venues other than public schools, and for anyone who works in some capacity with non-native speakers of English.

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Admissions
Application Deadlines
Applications for this program are accepted on a rolling basis. All materials must be submitted prior to the beginning of the semester in which the student has elected to begin coursework.

Program-Specific Requirements
- Bachelor’s degree
- An Introduction to Linguistics course is required. Equivalent course(s) from other institutions will be considered.
- Students in the College of Education should meet with the certification director to plan a program of study.
- All students whose language of nurture is not English must demonstrate oral and written mastery of English as certified by the Department of English. The Department of English requires non-native speakers of English to have a TOEFL score of 600 (paper-based), 250 (computer-based), 100 (internet-based), 8 IELTS, or 68 PTE to be eligible for conditional admission.
- If an applicant has been admitted to the MA in English, an application fee and transcripts are not required.

Requirements

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This is a 4 course, 12 hour graduate certificate. Students may not repeat any courses already taken at the undergraduate level. Students are encouraged to take more than the minimum required. All courses must be taken at the graduate level. The Linguistics faculty strongly recommends that all TESOL certificate students achieve an oral and written proficiency in a second language.