

TEACHING ENGLISH TO SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES (TESOL), MST

Campus: Online

Candidates in the TESOL program at the Pace University will gain the skills and knowledge necessary for today's linguistically and culturally diverse classrooms. They will receive a specialized study in multilingual language and literacy development, differentiated instruction, and culturally-responsive pedagogy. TESOL is a growing field with promising career opportunities domestically and internationally. Candidates who successfully complete the program and meet requirements will be certified to teach in English as a New Language (ENL) programs in Pre-K through 12 settings.

For

Career changers and college graduates who want to teach but do not have an undergraduate degree in education.

What You Learn

This 30-credit program provides a focused exploration of the theory, research and methods for teaching ELLs. Candidates will acquire an awareness and understanding of the sociocultural and sociolinguistic issues that impact the acquisition of English as an additional language among students. A one-semester full-time student-teaching experience rounds out the intensive study for TESOL certification.

Career Outcomes

Candidates who successfully complete the program and pass the New York State Teacher Certification Exams will be certified to teach English to speakers of other languages in all grade levels from Pre K-12. They can work as ENL (English as a New Language) teachers by supporting ELLs in push-in, pull-out or stand-alone classrooms.

Prerequisites/Admission Requirements

Candidates for MST in TESOL must have a bachelor's degree or higher from an accredited institution, with a minimum GPA of 3.0. (Upon the recommendation of the director of Student Support Services, candidates whose GPA is less than 3.0 may be admitted on a conditional basis, provided that it is determined that the candidate has the necessary knowledge and skills to complete the program successfully). Candidates will submit official undergraduate transcripts documenting completion of requirements for the liberal arts and sciences; a major or concentration in the liberal arts and sciences; and at least 12 semester hours or the equivalent of study of a language other than English (LOTE). Individuals who lack the required LOTE college-level coursework may earn credits after admission by exams such as CLEP or by taking courses.