

CERTIFICATION & PREPARATORY STUDIES

EAL TEACHER CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

The EALTCP is a University of Winnipeg certificate program for individuals who would like to teach English as an additional language to adults.

This program is offered as an evening program which students can take virtually. In order to receive a certificate, students must complete the following:

- 120 hours of TESL theory and methodology (delivered in an online format)
- 20 hours of teaching in a practicum

The EALTCP will appeal to individuals who are currently teaching EAL but do not have formal certification and those who have switched into English language teaching from other subjects. The program is also relevant to anyone who would like to teach abroad, and to those who want to begin an entirely new vocation. The training is very useful for educational assistants, teachers, school administrators, social workers and counsellors.

The University's EAL Teacher Certificate Program is fully accredited with TESL Canada. Graduates of the EAL TCP are eligible for Professional Certificate Standard One. For questions about this accreditation, please check with the TESL Canada website at teslcanada.ca

SAMPLE CAREERS

Graduates go on to work in many areas: teaching English as an additional language (EAL) to newcomers, working with international students in postsecondary institutions, teaching EAL overseas, and working in community agencies that provide services to newcomers.

COURSES

Thinking about Theory: A Framework for ESL/EAL Instruction gives students theoretical background information about this field of instruction.

Understanding the Language Classroom: Procedures for Effective Teaching covers the foundations for planning courses and lessons.

Developing the Language System: Teaching Grammar and Vocabulary gives an overview of the grammar and linguistic knowledge required to teach ESL/EAL, as well as the teaching strategies needed to implement this information in a communicative way.

Practicum Placement involves 10 hours of observation in an experienced EAL teacher's classroom, and 10 hours of supervised teaching in a local EAL classroom.

REQUIRED HIGH SCHOOL COURSES

Applicants need to have graduated from high school. They also need to have completed a minimum of 45 credit hours of university education (or obtain special permission from the Program Director). A completed undergraduate degree is preferred. No specific courses are required.

HOW TO APPLY

Details about the application process can be found online at <u>Apply | English Language Program | The</u> University of Winnipeg (uwinnipeg.ca)

When applying to the EAL Teacher Certificate Program, please include the following documents with your application and fee payment:

- One-page essay that answers the questions: What experiences/education make you want to pursue this certificate? What do you hope to do after completing the program?

-Official transcripts from post-secondary institutions

-For non-native speakers of English, official documentation that the language requirement has been met

-An academic or professional reference letter

(In any case where the University's Academic Calendar and this fact sheet differ, the current Calendar takes precedence.)

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