**CERTIFICATION & PREPARATORY STUDIES** 

# **EAL TEACHER CERTIFICATE PROGRAM**

The EAL TCP 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 on a full and part-time basis in class, as well as online. In order to receive a certificate, students must complete the following:

- 120 hours of TESL theory and methodology (delivered in a classroom or online format)
- 10 hours of observation in an EAL classroom
- 10 hours of teaching in a supervised practicum

The EAL TCP 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.

#### SAMPLE COURSES

**Thinking about Theory: A Framework for EAL Instruction** gives students theoretical background information about the changing field of EAL instruction.

Understanding the Language Skills: An Introduction to Second Language Reading, Writing, Speaking, and Listening covers the foundations for planning courses and lessons.

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

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**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.

# TRANSFER OF CREDIT

UWinnipeg students in other faculties who successfully complete the EAL Teacher Certificate Program will be eligible to transfer six (6) credits hours toward their University of Winnipeg degree program. Three credit hours (3) will be accredited to Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL) (EDUC-4102/3) and three hours (3) will be accredited as an unallocated Education credit at the 4000 level.

#### 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 - DOMESTIC STUDENT**

Details about the application process can be found online at

https://www.uwinnipeg.ca/elp/ealtcp/index.html or pick up an application package at English Language Program Registration Office at Room 1C15 (1st floor, Centennial Hall).

When applying to the EAL Teacher Certificate Program, please include the following documents in your application package:

- -Completed application form
- -Completed registration form for online and parttime applicants
- Application fee (will be applied to your course fees)
- One-page essay that answers the question: What do you hope to gain from studying in this 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 Please mail your completed package to: ESL Teacher Certificate Program 515 Portage Ave. Winnipeg, Manitoba R3B 2E9

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Customized programs can be offered for groups of international students. Please contact the EAL Teacher Certificate Program Coordinator.

For more information contact a student recruitment officer at welcome@uwinnipeg.ca or 204.786.9844. In any case where the University's Academic Calendar and this fact sheet differ, the current Calendar takes precedence.

# **CONTACT US**

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