

TEACHING ENGLISH TO SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES (TESOL) LICENSURE AS A TEACHER OF ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (5-12)

Boston University School of Education Graduate Programs

TEACHING LICENSE OFFERED:

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE, 5-12

Graduate students seeking to become licensed as a Teacher of English as a Second Language in grades 5-12 must meet all licensure requirements and must successfully complete the following courses:

SED LS 565	Introduction to Linguistics
SED BI 620	Educational Issues in Bilingualism
SED LS 658	Second Language Acquisition
SED BI 535	Literacy Development for Bilingual Students: Instruction and Assessment
SED TL 508	Methods of Teaching English as a Second Language*
SED ED 500/501	Foundations of Educational Practices*
SED SE 510	Special Education: Curriculum and Instruction
SED DS 502	Introduction to Adolescent Development
SED BI 504	Seminar: The Student Teaching Experience
SED TL 582-583	Student-Teaching Practicum I and II*
SED RS 600	Perspectives on Inquiry

* These courses include field-based requirements.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: I currently hold an initial teaching license and wish to gain expertise in teaching English language learners. Will I be able to earn a license as Teacher of English as a Second Language as well as a Master's Degree?

A: Students who currently hold an initial teaching license will be required to complete an appropriate course selection to meet licensure standards and any additional Massachusetts Board of Education requirements. Faculty advisors are prepared to assist students seeking to add an additional license.

Q: What are the qualifications for admission?

A: Graduate degree applicants are considered on the basis of their total application. Your statement of qualifications and objectives should be carefully prepared and should make clear why you wish to study in and pursue a career in the field of teaching English as a second language. A Graduate Record Exam (GRE), or the Miller Analogies Test (MAT), taken within the last five years, is also required. International students who have not earned a degree from an English speaking institution should instead submit a TOEFL score that is less than two years old. The TOEFL code for Boston University School of Education is 3066 and the minimum score is 100 on the Internet Based TOEFL or 600 on the Computer Based TOEFL. Transcripts from all schools attended and two letters of reference complete the application.

For information about the TESOL non-licensure program, please contact Marnie Reed at 617-353-1811 or e-mail tesol@bu.edu.

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