Master of Arts in
Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)
& Bilingual Education (MATESOL/BE)

Department of Curriculum, Culture, and Educational Inquiry

Program Description

The Master of Arts in TESOL and Bilingual Education is a 36-credit hour degree program that does not currently lead to certification in any area, but prepares for:

- English-speaking certified teachers for positions as elementary, middle, or high school ESOL teachers;
- certified teachers who are bilingual for positions as elementary, middle, or high school bilingual/dual language education teachers;
- school administrators for positions as K-12ESOL/bilingual education program directors;
- other individuals interested in the fields of TESOL and Bilingual Education for positions as adult education ESOL instructors, higher education ESL (English as a second language) instructors and program directors (intensive and non-intensive); EFL (English as a foreign language) instructors overseas; ESOL/bilingual education teacher trainers; and ESOL/bilingual education consultants (accent reduction coaches, ESOL textbook reviewers and writers, workshop facilitators, proposal writers, and bilingual education program evaluators).

Program graduates will also have educational opportunities to enter specialist and doctoral programs in a variety of fields associated with colleges of education and liberal arts: TESOL, Bilingual Education, Second/Foreign Language Education, Applied Linguistics, and Curriculum and Instruction.

Core Courses: 18 credits

*Take each of the following courses* (all 3 credits):

- TSL 6350 Pedagogical Grammar for ESOL and Bilingual Populations
- TSL 6375 Teaching Pronunciation in English for ESOL & Bilingual Prograr
- TSL 6165 Language Policy and Planning in Education
- TSL 6055 Theories of TESOL and Bilingual Education
- TSL 6146 Developing Literacy for ESOL and Bilingual Populations
- TSL 6944 TESOL/Bilingual Education Practicum

Research/Statistics Courses: 6 credits (*Department of Educational Leadership*)

*Take both of the following:*

- STA 6113 Educational Statistics *(should be taken prior to or concurrently with EDF 6481)*
- EDF 6481 Educational Research

ESOL Endorsement Courses: 12 credits

- TSL 5142 Curriculum Development in TESOL and Bilingual Education
- TSL 5345 Methods of TESOL and Bilingual Education
- TSL 5440 Assessment Issues for ESOL and Bilingual Populations
- EDG 5705 Multicultural Education Seminar
Admission Requirements

For more information on our programs, please contact the Department of Curriculum, Culture, and Educational Inquiry. The office is room #353, in the Education building on the Boca campus, Phone (561) 297-1272. The program website is: http://www.coe.fau.edu/TESOL/.

Admission to the Master of Arts in TESOL and Bilingual Education program requires submission of the graduate application form. You will find information about the application process at http://www.fau.edu/graduate/. You may complete the actual graduate application at http://www.fau.edu/graduate/applyonline/index.php. For questions regarding your application status or general inquiries, please call the Graduate College Office at (561) 297-3624, the office of Student Services at the College of Education (561) 297-3570, or send an e-mail to graduatecollege@fau.edu. In addition, in order to be considered for the Degree Program, you must submit the following documentation, upon which departmental approval will be contingent:

1) Official transcripts of all undergraduate coursework

2) A bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university

3) A grade point average (GPA) of 3.00 or better in the last 60 semester hours of undergraduate work prior to the granting of the bachelor's degree, and a minimum score of 800 on the general section of the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) (quantitative and verbal scores combined)

OR

A GPA of 2.50-2.99 on the last 60 semester hours of undergraduate work prior to the granting of the bachelor's degree and a minimum score of 1,000 on the general section of the GRE (quantitative and verbal combined)

4) Graduate Record Examination scores must not be more than 5 years old

5) Evidence of Professional Certification or eligibility for Temporary Certification

6) Foreign/Second Language proficiency (program graduation requirement)

7) (For international applicants only): TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) score, a completed Financial Certification Form (FCF) and supporting documentation and International Student Visa Clearance Form (VCF). International applicants from English-speaking countries and those who have completed a minimum of two years of post-secondary education in the United States are exempt from TOEFL requirement. Applicants who have completed all or part of their education abroad are required to have their foreign credentials evaluated by an independent evaluation service that is a member of the National Association of Credential Evaluation Service (NACES). For more information, go to: http://www.fau.edu/graduate/applyIntl.php

All College of Education Programs are approved by the Florida Department of Education and the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). This State and NCATE approval represents the transferability of your teaching credentials from state-to-state. Please keep and consult the Florida Atlantic University catalogue from the semester that you were admitted to the program, for more details regarding your program.

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