

**Teaching English to Speakers of Languages (TESL)
Graduate Certificate (GC)
Academic Program Assessment Plan
2023-24**

Program Goals:

The program is designed to prepare teachers in the U.S. and abroad to teach English to students whose first language is not English. Graduates are prepared to work with a diversity of cultures in the classroom, to understand and apply the second language acquisition progression, to create and implement curriculum with appropriate scaffolds for multilingual students, and to use appropriate assessments for English as a second language (ESL). It also prepares students for further graduate study (TESL M. Ed.). Included in the course work for the GC. are the four courses required by the Arkansas Department of Education for endorsement in ESL.

Student Learning Outcomes & Assessment of Student Learning

*Objectives	Assessment	Changes Made/Planned
<p><i>Student Understanding of Practice</i></p> <p>The candidates will plan, implement and model best practice necessary to deal with English Language Learners (ELLs) in diverse educational contexts.</p> <p>The candidates will compare and contrast different programmatic options for English Learners (ELs).</p>	<p>CIED 5933 Second Language Methodologies</p> <p>The candidates will engage in teaching demonstrations, design lesson plans, and teach second language learners.</p> <p>CIED 6353 Foundations & Issues in ESL and Bilingual Education Candidates will cite research supporting different programmatic options.</p>	<p>New course to address bilingual education & dual language option in Arkansas.</p>
<p>The candidates will create and implement a parent/family engagement plan for culturally and linguistically diverse (CLD) students.</p>	<p>CIED 5913 CLD Parent/Family Engagement</p>	<p>New course to address parent/family engagement and student's socio-emotional needs.</p>

<p><i>Student Understanding of Concepts and Theory</i></p> <p>A) The candidates will demonstrate understanding of research and learning theories involved in the acquisition of second languages and cultures, particularly of English as a second language (ESL).</p> <p>B) The candidates will understand what it means to speak a language, including an introduction to phonetics and phonology (specifically the sound system of American English), morphology (the rules of English at the word level), syntax (rules that govern sentence level language), semantics (meanings of words) and sociolinguistics (or the study of language use in its social context).</p>	<p>A) CIED 5923 Second Language Acquisition The candidates will analyze and write reports on learner data.</p> <p>B) CIED 6193 Teaching ESLs in the Content Areas</p>	<p>B) CIED 5993 is offered for online delivery.</p>
<p><i>Student Understanding of Assessment</i></p> <p>The candidates will make decisions based upon professional standards and use methods and techniques for evaluating the academic performance of second language learners in the four modalities: listening, reading, speaking, and writing.</p>	<p>CIED 5953 Second Language Assessment The candidates will create assessment and evaluation rubrics. The candidates will submit a final paper on summative or formative assessment.</p>	

<p>Candidates will interview an immigrant from another culture and be able to compare and contrast the immigrant's home culture with the U. S. culture. Candidates will also know learn several gestures that mean different things in different cultures.</p>	<p>CIED 5943 Teaching People of Other Cultures The candidates will submit multicultural lesson plans. The candidates will conduct presentations.</p>	
	<p>Praxis ESOL 5362 English to Speakers of Other Languages</p>	<p>. A review is offered each year to candidates.</p>

*ATS (InTASC) = 2011 Arkansas Teaching Standards (Interstate Teacher Assessment and Support consortium) TESOL/CAEP = 2014 Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages/Council for Accreditation of Educator Preparation Praxis II (5361) =Praxis II (5361): English to Speakers of Other Language.

Assessment of Student Learning: 90% of students earn A's in the foundation courses required for the endorsement, since mastery teaching methods are utilized. 95% of students pass the Praxis exam on their first attempt.

Reporting of Results

All 33 candidates met all goals.by the end of 2022-23 academic year:The candidate who did not meet all qualifications for the

The TESOL program graduated 40 GC. students in 2021-22. Data collected are based upon broad goals versus specific TESOL and TESS standards.

Timeline for Data Collection and Analysis: Data is collected each semester at the application level since candidates' are expected to apply what they've learned to a project or classroom lesson.

Use of Results: All candidates were successful in completing the coursework at a mastery level. Since summer courses are popular, another option for the 5th course is offered 2nd summer session this year.