

# MASTER OF ARTS IN TESOL

## TEACHING ENGLISH TO SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES

Earn your MA in TESOL from San José State University!

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Learn to teach English - and travel the world!
- Work with newcomer communities in California and nationally
- Become an expert in language education technology (a growth industry!)



"The SJSU TESOL program was an invaluable launchpad for my career in curriculum design and methodology."

-Jennie Delich, TESOL alumna



### WHY MA TESOL AT SJSU?

- The only dedicated TESOL degree in the San Francisco Bay Area
- Housed in a linguistics department (focus on language structure and use)
- Small classes - highly individualized attention
- Practical experience



Knowing how to teach a language means helping students everywhere bridge cultures and pursue their goals locally and globally.

TESOL integrates a deep knowledge of language structure, how language is used, and how adults and children learn in general.

## PROGRAM ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor's degree (no particular field)
- 3.0 undergraduate GPA
- No teaching experience necessary
- International students: TOEFL (min. 90) or IELTS (min. 7.0)

## COURSEWORK

### CORE COURSES

- LLD 250W Becoming a Professional in Linguistics/TESOL
- LLD 260 English Structures for Teaching I
- LLD 261 English Structures for Teaching II
- LLD 270 Second Language Acquisition
- LLD 271 Intercultural Communication and Second Language Acquisition
- LLD 280 Methods and Materials for Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages
- LLD 282 Practicum in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages
- LLD 283 Curriculum and Assessment in TESOL
- LLD 293 Teaching College-level Reading and Writing

### ELECTIVES

- One course in linguistics, education, psychology, sociology (your choice)

"Graduating from the program, I was able to land a job as an ESL instructor at California College of Communications within 3 months. I can't recommend this program highly enough for anyone interested in this field."

-Trang Nguyen, 2021 TESOL alumna



"As a non-native English teacher with no prior pedagogical foundation, I can't be more grateful to the MA in TESOL at SJSU for such valuable teaching perspectives, methods, and practices that helped me gain more confidence in both carrying on my teaching career and writing books for EFL learners."

-Sidarta Prasetyo, 2014 TESOL alumnus

"This TESOL program led me to explore the current second language acquisition research and provided me with the practical skills and knowledge crucial for language teaching. The insights gained in my MA study have enabled me to become a reflective language educator and empowered me to take an active role as a responsible TESOL professional."

-Chiang-Yun (Asha) Tseng, 2021 alumna

## Curious to learn more? Contact Us!

For information about the M.A. TESOL degree at SJSU, contact program coordinator Dr. Scott Phillabaum at [scott.phillabaum@sjsu.edu](mailto:scott.phillabaum@sjsu.edu).

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