

TESOL Certificate program

This certificate program prepares students with the requisite content knowledge and pedagogy to teach English to students or adults outside of the PK-12 public school system.

There are many opportunities for teaching English to speakers of other languages (TESOL). This UM-Dearborn certificate program is specifically designed for individuals seeking opportunities locally or internationally and will prepare students with the requisite content knowledge and pedagogy to teach English to students or adults outside of the PK-12 public school system. Certificate holders may find careers with non-U.S. agencies/institutions in order to meet international needs to provide English instruction to their student populations.

This certificate does not lead to state teacher certification or a state endorsement. For those interested in PK-12 certification, please refer to the ESL Endorsement.

The TESOL Certificate Program requires 15 undergraduate credit hours. All of the courses will prepare certificate students with the requisite content knowledge, pedagogy and skills to teach non-native speakers of English.

Certificate goals

The TESOL Certificate Program goals are twofold:

- Provide students with the requisite content knowledge and pedagogy to teach English to non-native speakers locally and abroad in short- and/or long-term English language programs.
- Provide non-native English speakers who are currently teaching abroad with the requisite content knowledge and pedagogy to effectively teach their non-native English-speaking students.