Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)/Applied Linguistics Certificate (Online)

Requirements: 18 Credit Hours

Admission Requirements

Regular
A student normally must have the following items in his or her portfolio:
1. Completed requirements for the Bachelor’s degree in a college accredited by proper regional accrediting association or the equivalent at a recognized international university.
2. A 2.75 (4.0 scale) cumulative grade point average in undergraduate work.
3. Regular admission is typically offered to applicants who fulfill criteria set by the College of Graduate Studies (COGS). Note: Applicants to graduate certificate programs do not submit GRE scores.
4. Three (3) letters of recommendation from persons familiar with the applicant’s academic or employment experience.
5. Statement of career goals and objectives.

International Students
In addition to the items above, international students for whom English is not a first or native language must have the following TOEFL scores:
1. Paper Based Test - score of 600 or higher and TWE (Test of Written English) - score of 5 or higher; or
2. Internet-based Test (iBT) - Reading: 22 or higher (“high”); Listening: 22 or higher (“high”); Speaking: 26 or higher (“good”); Writing: 24 or higher (“good”) for a total score of 94 or higher.

The TOEFL will be waived for students who have graduated from a U.S. college or university.

Recommended Background
Individuals applying to the Graduate Certificate program should have an interest in education and language study developed through work in disciplines including but not limited to education, English, foreign languages, linguistics, or writing or complementary areas in the humanities or social sciences.

Program of Study
The Graduate Certificate program requires a total of 18 credits and is offered fully online. It takes a total of one year to complete the six-course sequence.

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Please Note: This certificate program does not lead to State of Georgia, Professional Standards Commission-issued teacher certification.

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