

TEACHING ENGLISH TO SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES

COMMUNICATIVE LANGUAGE TEACHING CERTIFICATE

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The globalization of English and demand for English language instruction worldwide has created need for skilled practitioners who can address the widely variant educational needs of English learners.

According to Education First's 2016 English Proficiency Index (EPI) for both schools and companies worldwide, English language proficiency correlates with higher incomes, improved quality of life, more dynamic business settings, superior connectivity, and more innovation. Recognizing this return on investment, countries across the globe have launched initiatives to expand English language teaching and learning. SRU's Graduate TESOL Program's CLT Certificate offers teachers from all parts of the world the opportunity to hone their English instructional techniques and practice cutting-edge communicative methodologies.

Through convenient and specialized certificate-level training, SRU's graduates will be prepared to utilize contemporary instructional strategies to teach English as a new language to learners of all ages. Facilitating lifelong TESOL development, the Certificate helps graduates realize their dreams of assisting others in achieving improved English fluency and proficiency.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Slippery Rock University's Graduate Communicative Language Teaching Certificate can be earned in any term plus one summer and offers:

- Graduate-level training in CLT, the globally preferred method for improved language proficiency
- Flexibility for your busy schedule – online course during term of your choosing, and one summer workshop in residence at SRU main campus
- Hands-on training, field trips, and cultural excursions
- Expert faculty with earned doctorates
- A pathway to Master's degree - all 9 credits apply to the MA TESOL, leaving 21-24 credits to obtain the full degree (www.sru.edu/tesol)

CURRICULUM (9 CREDITS)

SRU's Graduate CLT Certificate offers specialized training for international pre- or in-service teachers who wish to enhance their expertise through one online 3-credit Selected Topics course and one 6-credit summer workshop.

Required Courses (2 courses, 9 credits)

MODL 598: Selected Topics: Issues in Japanese Culture

100% online, any term. (Course is tailored to cultural context of group — also available in Chinese, Korean, Hispanic, French, and Arabic Cultures).

MODL 595: Workshop in CLT (6 cr)

2-6 weeks in residence at SRU main campus, summer term. (Workshop is tailored to cultural context of group).

*If desired, ESL courses may also be arranged during summer workshop.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must submit the following materials along with a completed online graduate application and non-refundable application fee:

1. Bachelor's degree with a minimum cumulative grade point average of a 2.75 in English, modern languages, linguistics, applied linguistics, education, or related field. Other major/minor areas of study considered. A 500 TOEFL score and a 2.5 GPA is considered for conditional admission
2. Official undergraduate transcripts from the applicant's baccalaureate granting institution and any graduate transcripts (if applicable)
3. Two letters of recommendation
4. Statement of Intent (Personal and professional goals for TESOL study)
5. No GRE required

International students should check with the Office for Global Engagement to review all international documents and visa status. Please visit the Graduate Admissions website at www.sru.edu/graduate for more information.

The educational policies and procedures are continually being reviewed and changed in keeping with the mission of the university. Consequently, this document cannot be considered binding and is intended to be used as only an informational guide. Students are responsible for being informed of official policies and regulations for meeting all appropriate requirements.



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