

# Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

The Master of Arts in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) degree program at Notre Dame de Namur University (NDNU) is an excellent online program for individuals around the nation and the world who are searching for a values-based education in TESOL that reflects the latest advances in the field and in the use of technology. The TESOL program trains individuals to promote language learning among various immigrant populations, their children, and other underserved populations. This is not only in the United States but also in several countries worldwide. The program welcomes current and future educators to gain advanced degrees in TESOL in the global classroom. In addition, they will share what they learn in their communities as they progress.

### DISTINCTIONS OF TESOL PROGRAM

- Identify what they have learned as knowledgeable consumers of educational literature.
- Think about issues and practices from a theoretical standpoint.
- Select and apply appropriate research-based TESOL practices.
- Access a wide range of TESOL instructional materials, approaches, and methods, including
- application of a wide range of technology, to educate students at different stages of development coming from differing cultural and linguistic back grounds as well.
- Design and implement K-12, post-secondary adult TESOL classroom and community programs focused on human rights, multicultural issues, and language education.





- Examine, select, and use a wide range of second language assessment tools including informal/ formal, individual/group, formative/summative, and technology-based instruments, appropriate for learners at different stages of development and from differing cultural and linguistic backgrounds.
- Through partnership agreements, graduates of the TESOL certificate program at UC San Diego, UC Santa Cruz, and Via Lingua can transfers units from their certificate programs into our MA TESOL program.

#### **GOAL**

The goal of the online MA TESOL program is to develop professional TESOL practitioners with expertise in three key areas: conceptual knowledge, theoretical knowledge, and application skills. The course structure offers flexibility for students to plan and advance their learning according to their convenience.

#### **ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS**

- A four-year bachelor's degree from a regionally-accredited institution
- A cumulative grade point average of 2.5
- Two letters of recommendation (one reference must be academic)
- Statement of intent (1-2 pages)
- An interview with the Program Director

#### **COURSES**

- TESOL Foundations in Theory and Methodology
- Digital Technologies for Inclusion in TESOL Instruction
- Applied Linguistics and TESOL Pedagogy
- Assessment, Testing, and Evaluation in TESOL
- TESOL Curriculum Design in the Classroom
- Discourse Analysis Pragmatics
- Digital Storytelling in TESOL Contexts
- Structure of the American English in Global Paradigms
- Online Instruction and Advising in TESOL
- TESOL Portfolio Design

#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

#### Catholic School Teacher's Scholarship

The NDNU Catholic School Teacher's Scholarship honors the efforts of teachers in Catholic Schools who wish to pursue a higher degree in Education.

## Endowed Scholarships for Graduate and Credential Students

There are limited Endowed and Restricted Scholarship Funds available.

Contact the Dean for guidelines and an application for the Catholic School Teacher Scholarship at chodges@ndnu.edu

### Streamlined Admissions. See how simple it is to get started.

When you are ready to take that next step in advancing your career, contact us to learn how we can be the catalyst to make it happen sooner. Accepting applications year-round.

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