

Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) Non-Licensure Minor

The non-licensure minor program in TESOL is designed for students in various fields who wish to acquire professional knowledge related to teaching English to speakers of other languages, but who do not want to pursue Virginia teaching licensure. Students who minor in TESOL will acquire skills in cross-cultural competence, become familiar with the processes of first and second language acquisition, and gain strategies to effectively assist and assess English learners in academic settings.

The TESOL non-licensure minor requires a minimum of 19 credits; 16 credits are required courses while 3 credits are electives selected in consultation with a program advisor.

Course & Core Requirements

Required Courses (16 Credits)	Credits
EDUC 310 or ELED 310- Teaching in a Diverse Society (fall or spring)	3
TESL 426- Concepts of 1 st /2 nd Language Acquisition (Pre-requisite for other TESL courses) (fall or spring)	3
TESL 428- Assessment for Curriculum Development in ESL Practicum (fall)	3
TESL 470- Instructional Strategies for TESOL (spring)	3
TESL 385- Practicum with TESL 470 (spring)	1
LED 430- Development, Assessment and Instruction of Literacy K-12 Or LED 366 (for ELED minors/majors) (fall or spring)	3
Elective Options—Select One Course (3-4 credits)	
ENG 308- Introduction to Linguistics (fall)	3
EDUC 300- Foundations of American Education (fall or spring)	3
EDUC 370- Educational Technology Practicum (spring)	3
EXED 303- Classroom Management (fall or spring)	3
LED 435- Literacy Development for TESOL (has an additional 1 credit practicum—TESL 383) (fall)	3

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