



## **Certificate Program**

### **Why “Global TESOL”?**

**TESOL includes teaching English as a second language or foreign language. It includes teaching adults and children of all ages. It trains teacher to be successful in any country on the globe, including English-speaking, non-English-speaking countries and those in between. It is not restricted to training for teaching adults in Europe or for teaching immigrants in the U.S. and Canada; it is training for how to teach English in any situation. That is because most teachers move through various situations, and they should not be focus only on one kind of teaching. It takes on all the methodologies, strategies and principles and helps teachers learn how to select what is best for the give situation. It is focused on how language is acquired and learned.**

### **Why is the Global TESOL offered through the University of Georgia Department of Continuing Education?**

**The University of Georgia is a fully accredited university in the United States, which means that its programs have undergone academic scrutiny by scholars and peers in the field. While there are no TESOL accreditation entities, the Global TESOL Certificate has strong ties to UGA’s accreditation.**

**The UGA video is the red YouTube link:**

**<https://www.georgiacenter.uga.edu/courses/languages/global-tesol-certificate-program>**

## **Build Your Career to Teach English at Home or Abroad**

**If you have the desire to teach English to speakers of other languages, enhance your career with UGA's Global TESOL Certificate program.**

The Global TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages) Certificate is a prestigious four-module training program designed for individuals who want to teach English in a non-public school setting within or outside of the United States or in any country in the world. This interactive online program will provide you with a solid theoretical foundation to work as a teacher, trainer, tutor, or cross-cultural communicator at home and abroad.

**What You Will Learn:**

The four modules in this online certificate program will provide you with a solid theoretical foundation for teaching English at home or abroad and a navigation strategy for the adventure. Whether you are looking for a one-time jaunt or long-term career development, you will learn about the field of TESOL and how to move through it. You will learn about intercultural communication and issues of culture in relation to language, how languages work and how language is acquired, and strategies for developing curriculum and lesson plans and techniques for implementing them.

**Who should attend:**

This program is for individuals of all cultures and languages, ages, educational and experience backgrounds, from recent grads to retirees, current military or veterans, au pairs, empty nesters, and anyone who wants to help others by teaching English. This program is for those who want to travel and teach globally or teach locally outside of public schools. (Though it has similarities, this is not the ESOL Endorsement for public school teachers.)

**Modules include:**

- Orientation to the Profession of TESOL
- Issues of Culture & Language
- Applied Linguistics & Language Acquisition
- Materials & Methods for English Language Learners

**Certificate of Completion: You will receive the Global TESOL certificate of at the completion of all four 30-hour modules.**

**Instructors:**

Sarah Anne Shope, MAPW, MS Education TESOL, PhD brings a wealth of knowledge and experience in teaching English to speakers of other languages. She has been active in developing and facilitating Global TESOL training courses and programs, and her area of expertise includes applied linguistics,

issues of culture, methodology for teaching English as a second language and/or as a foreign language, and academic and creative writing.

Leigh Lawrence, MS Ed in TESOL, has over 20 years of experience in higher education as a student services specialist. Her background includes teaching, counseling, academic advising, and student activities planning. She earned her Global TESOL Certificate in 2007 and began working as an English as a Second Language instructor with the Latin American Association, Asian-American Resource Center, and Business Linguistics, and has served as instructor for the Global TESOL Certificate program since 2011. Leigh created and implemented a career component for the Program, including career presentations, consulting, job referrals, and maintaining a presence on social media for students and graduates. Her global experiences include traveling in Europe and Caribbean locales. In addition, she teaches online with eTeacher Group, an international language academy based in Ramat Gan, Israel. Leigh holds a MA in counseling from Edinboro University and a MS Ed in TESOL from Shenandoah University.

**Prerequisites for the program:**

- High school diploma or bachelor's degree
- Must have advanced-intermediate communication skills in English

**Module methodology and activities:** Each module includes internet research, projects, textbook assignments, engaging discussions, portfolio development, reflective journaling.

**Four modules include:**

**Orientation to the Profession of TESOL**

This 30-hour online course explores the profession of TESOL from both learning and teaching perspectives, in the U.S and in other countries. We will examine key issues related to developing curriculum and individual lesson plans for teaching Basic English, Academic or Vocational English, and English for Special Purposes via English as a Second Language (ESL) or as a foreign language (EFL).

**Issues of Culture and Language**

In addition to presentations, the course involves reading and writing activities, Internet activities, discussions, and exercises on new ways of learning about

culture. We will explore cultural boundary crossings, discuss issues of culture and language, and complete the culture component of the portfolio.

This course, which requires the student to purchase a textbook, can be taken as an individual study or as one of the four modules of the Global TESOL Certificate Program.

### **Applied Linguistics and Language Acquisition**

Other topics include the history of languages and process of language development, dispelling of myths about language and an exploration of language differences, commonalities and dialect variations. The course provides a base of knowledge for teachers entering into curriculum and instruction for internationals acquiring English (or any other language).

This course, which requires the student to purchase a textbook, includes presentations, interactive study, reading and writing assignments, Internet activities, exercises in applied linguistics, and completion of the linguistics component of the portfolio. The course can be taken as an individual study or as one of the four modules of the Global TESOL Certificate Program.

### **Materials & Methods for Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages**

We will explore the traditional and contemporary approaches to language teaching. The class will practice developing programs, courses, and lessons, and will perform teaching activities. In addition, we examine content-based language learning, computer-assisted learning, and the online delivery component for teaching and learning.

This course, which requires the student to purchase a textbook, can be taken as an individual study or as one of the four modules of the Global TESOL Certificate Program.

### **Understand the role culture plays in teaching and learning English.**

This 120-hour program explores the nature of culture and the role of cultural factors in the teaching and learning of English as a second, additional or foreign language.

It touches on the history of languages and process of language development, dispelling of myths about language and an exploration of language differences, commonalities and dialect variations. The program provides a base of knowledge for teachers entering into curriculum and instruction for internationals acquiring English (or any other language).

This program, which requires the student to purchase two textbook and offers access to Dr. Shope's textbook at no cost. It includes presentations, interactive study, reading and writing assignments, Internet activities, exercises in applied linguistics, and completion of the linguistics component of the portfolio. The each module can be taken as an individual study or as one of the four modules of the Global TESOL Certificate Program.

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