

Student Learning Objectives Master of Arts in Teaching Program, Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (MAT-TESOL)

The MAT-TESOL is a program that prepares candidates who are pursuing careers as English language teaching specialists in a variety of domestic and international settings and educational levels. The goal of the MAT-TESOL program is to prepare graduates to become outstanding teachers who utilize practices and strategies that address current prevailing challenges in the field. Students graduating from the program will demonstrate that they are ready to teach English to speakers of other languages by being able to:

- Understand and have a deep respect for students, communities, and linguistic diversity; connect the ways students use home languages and literacies in their everyday lives and tie these connections to their academic and professional goals.
- Develop curriculum that addresses a multi-layered and dynamic approach to language acquisition; create and manage lessons and units of study that address both procedural and conceptual objectives.
- Demonstrate an understanding of instructional methods and strategies that support diverse English Learners across the curriculum; be able to differentiate instruction and assessment for sub-groups and individual students.
- Describe and justify the theoretical underpinnings of pedagogical decision; be an active researcher in the classroom through consistently reflecting on data and practice, both individually and collaboratively.