

## TESOL Certification Program

The Department of Languages and Applied Linguistics offers a certificate program in Teaching English as a Second or Other Language (TESOL Certificate). This program is aimed at undergraduate students who wish to teach English as a second or additional language after graduation, whether in the United States or overseas (it does not qualify students to teach ESL in the K-12 public educational system, though). The program aims to accomplish five learning objectives:

- Identify structural elements of the English language, including elements of its morpho-syntactic and phonological systems, relationships between these elements, and common challenges these elements pose to learners of English.
- Identify variables, both linguistic and non-linguistic, that play a role in language acquisition.
- Develop effective, learner-centered lesson plans and instructional materials reflecting contemporary views on language teaching and learning.
- Develop effective tools to assess student achievement of language learning objectives.
- Reflect critically on pedagogical choices in terms of their effect

The program consists of 6 required courses, which you can keep track of, using this checklist:

Course	Quarter of completion	Grade
LING 50: Introduction to Linguistics (offered every quarter, through the Linguistics Department)		
APLX 101: Second Language Acquisition (offered every winter quarter)		
APLX 113: Intercultural Communication (offered every two years)		
APLX 135: Second Language Teaching (offered every spring)		
APLX 136: Second Language Assessment (offered every two years)		
APLX 138: English Grammar for TESOL (offered every year)		

If you have any questions about this program, please contact the Applied Linguistics department ([languages@ucsc.edu](mailto:languages@ucsc.edu)).