

Master of Arts in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (MA TESOL)

The MA TESOL has been designed to meet the needs of participants in a diverse, multicultural setting. Offering professional training and a solid foundation in second language acquisition, this program is popular among the region's experienced and novice teachers, in addition to those who are seeking a research career in applied linguistics. Graduates are also well prepared to seek careers as editors or writers for English-medium publications. Ultimately, the program enhances candidates' English communication performance, so any career that needs that skills set is an option. The program combines research-based methodology, practical experience and computer-assisted learning and is delivered through a comprehensive and dynamic curriculum.

Reasons for choosing the MA TESOL program:

- Teachers are able to earn a master's degree without interrupting their careers.
- The program serves as in-service training for teachers employed in high schools and language centers.
- Participants have excellent opportunities for career advancement and entry into academia.
- Technology is used extensively, facilitating engaging and dynamic learning.
- Class sizes are small, facilitating highly personalized learning.
- The program is accredited by the Commission for Academic Accreditation of the UAE Ministry of Education's Higher Education Affairs Division.



Courses

Linguistics for ESL Teachers | Language Acquisition and Development | Methods and Materials Development | Curriculum Design | Language Testing and Evaluation | Advanced English Grammar | Culture and the Language Teacher | Reading and Writing in ESL | Bilingual Education | Pragmatics for ESL Teachers | Sociolinguistics | Technology in the ESL Classroom | ELT Leadership and Management | Classroom Research | Quantitative and Qualitative Research in ELT | Contrastive Linguistics | Practicum

“I never knew how much I love doing research and how much fun one can possibly have while doing it. While a PhD researcher at the Institute of Education, University of Reading, UK, I studied teachers' reflection for my dissertation, and it became my passion. The topic of reflective practice was first introduced to me in the AUS MA TESOL program.”

Dr. Shahla Yassaei Deputy Director and Management Consultant, Oxborrow Ltd., UK

Admission Requirements

- A bachelor degree with a minimum GPA of 3.0
- A minimum Internet-based TOEFL score of 80, or a minimum IELTS score of 6.5 (Academic Version). In addition, applicants must have a minimum score of 5.0 on the Test of Written English (TWE) or the Emirates Writing Test (EWET)

Why AUS?



Full accreditation and international recognition: AUS is licensed and its programs are accredited by the Commission for Academic Accreditation of the Ministry of Education's Higher Education Affairs Division in the United Arab Emirates. AUS has been accredited in the United States of America by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education (3624 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104, USA, Tel +1 215 662 5606) since June 2004.



Outstanding facilities: The full-service AUS campus is known for its beauty, architecture and facilities, and the AUS library is one of the finest in the region.



Financial assistance: AUS offers graduate students assistantships and work-study opportunities in the form of Graduate Research Assistantships or Graduate Teaching Assistantships.



Flexible learning: Our master's degree programs are designed to offer maximum flexibility, with part-time study and evening classes available.



World-class research: Graduate students have the opportunity to engage in research with faculty members and to publish their work. Research in the TESOL group at AUS is world-leading and concentrates in investigations that lead to greater knowledge and understanding of the language being learned, the processing through which the language is learned, and the process through which teachers may most successfully guide and assist language learning.



Exceptional teaching and supervision: AUS' full-time faculty hail from the world's best universities. Our faculty are active researchers who are uniquely positioned to deliver a rigorous graduate education

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