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College of Education

Teaching English as a Second Language (TESOL) (PreK-12) Licensure

Master of Arts in Teaching
Department of Instruction & Curriculum Leadership
Advising Sheet

Welcome to the TESOL Program, which leads to a Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) Degree and a Tennessee License to teach grades PreK-12. This degree sheet is a guide for selecting and sequencing courses required in the MAT program. For additional information, please contact Ms. LaRuth Lofties, MAT Academic Counselor at llofties@memphis.edu.

- **Teacher Education Program (TEP):** MAT candidates must apply for admission to TEP before the end of the second semester and fulfill all TEP requirements. Candidates must have a 3.0 graduate GPA to be admitted to TEP and maintain a 3.0 GPA while in the graduate program.
- **Licensure Exams:** Candidates are required to pass Praxis II exams in order to be licensed to teach in Tennessee. For registration information, costs and more details go to www.ets.org, click on Praxis and use the dropdown menu to find the correct required exams.
- **Job Embedded Practitioner (JEP) License:** For information go to: <http://www.memphis.edu/tep/licensure/jep-teaching-license.php>. Please contact Ms. Mary Lanier, mlanier@memphis.edu for more information.
- **edTPA:** All candidates obtaining a MAT and TN Teaching Licensure must complete The Professional Seminar (ICL 7993). Each candidate must complete and pass a nationally scored teacher performance assessment, edTPA. You are only required to submit the edTPA portfolio if you are enrolled in ICL 7808. Job-embedded teacher candidates are not required to submit the edTPA.

Level 1 Course Work

Suggested Course Sequence

Fall I Semester (9 Hours)

- ENGL 7531 - Theory and History of ESL
- ENGL 7535 - ESL Grammar
- LITL 7552 – Foundation Skills: Phonological Awareness and Phonics

Spring I Semester (6 Hours)

- LITL 7553 - Literacy Development K-4**
- ENGL 7532 - Theories and Skills Assessment in ESL**

Summer I Semester (6 Hours)

- ENGL 7538 - Culture Issues in ESL
- EDPR 7117 - Life-Span Human Development

Requirements Timeline

Fall I Semester

- Begin studying/preparing for your Praxis Content Exam.
- Praxis 5362 (English Speakers of Other Languages)
- Please access Praxis Resources [here](#).

Spring I Semester

- Continue Praxis support and studying.
- Continue to take your Praxis II Content exam(s) if not already passed.
- Apply for TEP Admissions.
- If you are not admitted to TEP, you will not be able to continue to Level 2 course work.

Summer I Semester

- Continue to take Praxis II Content exam(s) if not already passed.
- Apply for TEP Admissions.

Courses with asterisks () have clinical/field hours connected to them. You will be expected to visit a school to complete these hours. Your course instructor will share the number of hours to be completed with you.**

Level 2 Course Work

Fall II Semester (6 Hours)

- SPED 7000 - Introduction to Exceptional Learners**
- ENGL 7533 - Methods and Techniques of ESL**

- Complete Clinical Teaching application.

Spring II Semester (3 Hours)

- ICL 7709 - Urban Learning Environment**
- EDPR 752I - Introduction to Educational Research

- Complete Clinical Teaching application.

Summer II Semester (6 Hours)

- IDT 706I - Instructional Design and Education Technology



Level 3 Course Work

Fall III Semester (9 Hours)

- ICL 7808 - The Clinical Teaching Semester
- ICL 7993 - Professional Seminar (REQUIRED OF ALL CANDIDATES)

- Candidates should have all courses completed and have passed:
- Praxis 5362 (English Speakers of Other Languages) completed prior to enrolling in Level 3 Courses.

- Apply for graduation through myMemphis.edu student portal at the beginning of the semester you plan to graduate. Please go to this link for information on the steps to graduate:
<https://www.memphis.edu/commencement/apply/>

Fall III Job-Embedded Candidates (3 Hours)

- ICL 7992 - Master's Project

Total Hours: 45

Job Embedded Practitioner Hours: 39



****Courses with asterisks (**) have clinical/field hours connected to them. You will be expected to visit a school to complete these hours. Your course instructor will share the number of hours to be completed with you.****

- An application is required one (1) semester prior to The Clinical Teaching Semester – ICL 7808.
- All clinical teaching candidates must take the Professional Seminar to obtain licensure- ICL 7993.
- (No other courses may be taken with the clinical teaching semester and/or the ICL 7993 Professional Seminar or 7992 Master's Project classes).
- Candidates who have an active Job Embedded Practitioner License will be exempt from submitting the edTPA.

