

# TESOL

## at Goshen College

### ***New TESOL major helps students and teachers meet new state ENL requirements.***

The new TESOL major at Goshen College makes it possible for students to have a Goshen College major which will be compatible with Indiana's new requirements for ENL (English as a New Language) teachers. The TESOL major was crafted with an eye to those new state ENL requirements so it goes a long way toward meeting those requirements. Of course, it will also be a great major for non-teacher education students who wish to learn how to teach English as a Second Language (ESL/ENL). The major is not a teaching license in and of itself, but it should help graduates secure ESL/ENL teaching jobs or be of service to international people in various settings both in the U.S. and overseas.

The courses are open to students at the sophomore level and above, any and all majors.

Students not seeking a degree may apply and take as many or as few of the courses as they desire. Two semesters of college level foreign language need to be completed before joining the TESOL program.

### ***Benefits of a TESOL course of study***

Goshen TESOL graduates have found English teaching jobs all over the world: in U.S. public schools and adult education centers, with church agencies and missions as well as at ESL schools from Paraguay to Egypt to Japan.

Students work with the TESOL director to set up a field experience either in Goshen, Ind., or wherever else in the world they want. All that is needed is a credible teaching site and a qualified on-site supervising teacher.

The Methods course and the Field Experience both involve actual tutoring experience so theories are combined with opportunities for supervised teaching.

### ***Five study plans in TESOL:***

1. **TESOL major** (42-46 credit hours) For students getting a B.A. at Goshen College; requires the five basic TESOL courses (see below) plus courses in teacher education, foreign language, communication and some electives related to intercultural studies. Please link to the online catalog for a full description of the requirements.
2. **TESOL minor** (20 credit hours) For students getting a B.A. at Goshen College; requires the five basic TESOL courses (see below) plus six hours of related courses (Study-Service Term language course may count for part of this).
3. **One-year TESOL certificate** (30 credit hours) For students not intending to get a B.A. at Goshen; five basic TESOL courses, one Bible and religion course, plus electives.
4. **Indiana Public School K-12 ENL teaching license:** For those who want to teach ESL/ENL in the public schools; five basic TESOL courses plus Expository Writing, three teaching of reading courses (the same ones required for all elementary education licenses), Adaptation and Assessment, Study-Service Term or a substitute, and other courses normally required for general education and for teacher education students.
5. **Three-week Intensive TESOL Methods course** (4 credit hours) For those who just want "the basics"; some language study prerequisites; offered in the three-week May term.

### ***Five basic TESOL courses:***

1. **ENGL 310: Introduction to Linguistics** (3 credits) fall semester  
Different ways of looking at language: how languages' systems of sounds, word structures, grammatical patterns and meaning function. Insights useful for language learning, teaching and appreciation of English and language in general.
2. **ENGL 315: English Language Problems** (3 credits) spring semester  
The study of the sound system and history of the English language, followed by exploration of current developments in sociolinguistics, dictionaries and word formation. The course cultivates an informed attitude toward English usage.
3. **ENGL 319: English Syntax** (1 credit) fall or spring semester  
Independent study in English grammar verified by a final exam. Available only to TESOL majors and minors and English and Teaching English as a New Language education students. *Prerequisite: Previous or concurrent enrollment in Engl 310 or 315.*
4. **ENGL 320: TESOL \*Methods** (4 credits) May term (three weeks in May)  
Primary topics addressed are theories of language learning, general TESOL approaches, methods for the teaching of specific language skills and materials preparation in ESL. A concurrent internship (teaching English to a nonnative speaker) brings reality to the theories. *Prerequisite: Engl 310 or Engl 315.*
5. **ENGL 325: TESOL Field Experience** (3 credits) anytime after TESOL Methods  
One-hundred twenty hours of supervised teaching in the U.S.A. or abroad when appropriate supervision can be arranged. *Prerequisite: Engl 320 and consent of instructor.*