



## Vancouver Community College International Education

### TESOL Diploma

Program Length:	10 months
No. of Credits:	31.5
Start Date:	September 4, 2012
Location:	Downtown campus
Total Fees:	Approximately CAD\$8,500.00*

#### Description

The TESOL Diploma program is designed for students who want to teach English to speakers of other languages (TESOL). The TESOL Diploma Program is the largest English language teacher training program of its kind in Western Canada. It consists of 10 courses, including a teaching internship, providing approximately 314 hours of training. This program prepares graduates to teach from beginner to college preparatory level English language. Applicants may be planning to teach English internationally or at post-secondary educational institutions, community agencies or private language schools in Canada.

#### Admission Requirements

- Bachelor Degree (Applicants with a university degree from a non-English-speaking country will be asked to provide an academic evaluation comparing their degree to equivalent Canadian credentials) \*\*
- First-year University English with a mark of C+ or equivalent.
- Applicants whose first language is not English, who are presenting foreign documents, must achieve the scores listed below on one of the following English language proficiency tests:
  - ◇A minimum score of 88 on the internet-based TOEFL, with no score lower than 22\*\*\*
  - ◇A Band 6.5 or higher on the International English Language Testing System (IELTS – academic stream), with no band score less than 6.0 and a minimum score of 6.5 on the speaking and listening bands\*\*\*
  - ◇A minimum score of 145/200 on the English Language Assessment test at Vancouver Community College, with minimum sub-scores as follows: Listening 27/30; Speaking 27/30; Essay 17/20; Reading 50/70. The ELA score must be free of a pronunciation recommendation.

**Note:** All program information including tuition and other fees, course/program content, length, admission requirements, prerequisites, start/end dates, postponements and/or cancellation is subject to change without notice. Before applying, please kindly check with us at [study@vcc.ca](mailto:study@vcc.ca)

**Total Fees include:** Application fee of \$125, Tuition fee of \$7,438.73, Ancillary fee of \$118.13, College initiative fee of \$70.56, Student union fee of \$72.33, Student union health plan fee of \$144.68, Student union dental plan fee of \$137.82, U-PASS \$300

**Additional costs:** Textbooks are approximately \$250

\* Fee and other fees are approximate and subject to change due to yearly increases. Students will be required to pay increased rates if the fees change at any time during the period of enrolment in the program. The application fee is non-refundable.

\*\* If you have foreign documents, an International Credential Evaluation Services (ICES) evaluation is required. For an evaluation application and current fee information, email at [icesinfo@bcit.ca](mailto:icesinfo@bcit.ca) or call toll free 1.866.434.9197.

For more information, please visit : [www.vcc.ca/programs-courses/detail.cfm?div\\_id=8&prog\\_id=212#admission\\_requirements](http://www.vcc.ca/programs-courses/detail.cfm?div_id=8&prog_id=212#admission_requirements)

\*\*\* IELTS Academic Module and TOEFL iBT scores are valid at VCC for one year.

### **Activities & Design**

This program has been designed to involve the student in a variety of learning environments and instructional delivery methods. There is a supervised practice teaching component.

### **Credential**

Upon successful completion of the program, students receive the TESOL Diploma from Vancouver Community College.

This program is also recognized for national professional certification (Level 2) by the national ESL teachers association, TESL Canada.

Graduates of the TESOL Diploma can also apply to take the Cambridge University ESOL Teaching Knowledge Test (TKT).

To register for the TKT, go to: [www.cambridgecentre.net/ca020/independent-candidates](http://www.cambridgecentre.net/ca020/independent-candidates) And click "TKT". The test is \$250 for VCC students (regular price \$300).

### **Evaluation**

Students are required to participate in all in-class activities, do all assignments and write an examination. The final examination tests the instructional methodology and theory for teaching English to speakers of other languages. A passing grade of "C" in all assignments and the final examination is needed to successfully complete the program.

In addition, students must successfully complete the practicum assignments and receive a minimum grade of "C" in order to pass the practice teaching component of the program based on two TESOL certificate practicum evaluations which are submitted by the practicum sponsor teacher / supervisor.

### **Required Courses**

- (TESO 1101) TESOL Overview
- (TESO 1127) Teaching Pronunciation
- (TESO 1168) Teaching Grammar 1
- (TESO 1128) Teaching Writing
- (TESO 1267) Teaching Listening & Speaking
- (TESO 1232) Communications and Culture
- (TESO 1169) Teaching Grammar 2
- (TESO 1133) Teaching Reading
- (TESO 1266) Teaching Academic English
- (TESO 1270) TESOL Internship