Bachelor of Education (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages)

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Empower your English language learners

Nau mai, haere mai ki Te Kura
Akoranga me te Tauwhiro Tangata o
Te Whare Wānanga o Tāmaki-makaurau.
Greetings, 你好, Selamat datang,
Willkommen, Chào mừng, Talofa lava,
and a warm welcome to you.

Welcome to our global degree, the Bachelor of Education (TESOL). As the leading university in Aotearoa New Zealand, ranked in the top 30 universities worldwide for Education as a subject, we specialise in providing cutting edge, globally oriented teaching and learning.

This new programme is grounded in leading research and is driven by our faculty’s mission: Leading learning, changing lives to achieve excellence and equity. We place our community of students, teachers and scholars at the heart of all our work, embracing students from a wide variety of backgrounds and countries.

Studying TESOL, you will have access to courses and resources from across the University as well as the opportunity to work in close partnership with schools, early childhood centres, or other community agencies. These partnerships will connect you with experiential learning opportunities and networks, helping to pave the way for your future employment success.

I invite you to join our community of learning and wish you well on what I know will be a valuable and life-changing journey.

Whether you’re studying online or at our beautiful campus in Epsom, we look forward to welcoming you to our community and working together to gain knowledge and experiences that will change your life and our world.

Dr Marek Tesar
Associate Dean International
Faculty of Education and Social Work

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Quick facts
Length: 3 years full-time
Classes start: Semester Two (July) 2021
Points per qualification: 360 points
Fees: $6,311 for domestic students, $32,498 for international students (Estimated 2021 annual tuition fee based on a full-time programme of 120 points)
Delivery: Epsom Campus/City Campus or online

Find out more
For more details about this programme, visit www.auckland.ac.nz/bedtesol

Who can take this programme?
This programme is suitable for students of any first language. As a minimum requirement, applicants must hold an acceptable University Entrance qualification and be able to provide evidence of their proficiency in English.

Benefits of studying this programme
- Study at one of the world’s top universities for Education as a subject* and apply the knowledge you gain to educational contexts around the world.
- Benefit from courses and teaching expertise that draw on the best international research and practice.
- Take part in two supervised work placements (internships) where you will observe TESOL teaching in a range of settings in Auckland, one of the most diverse cities in the world.
- Learn about the latest digital teaching tools and how to harness technology to deliver interactive and collaborative learning.
- Experience teaching grounded in the Māori concept of “ako”, which recognizes the knowledge and experience that both teachers and students bring to learning.

What you’ll be studying
In the first year you will:
- Study core TESOL courses, introducing you to language teaching, academic writing and New Zealand’s bicultural context
- Develop your understanding of pedagogy, teaching, assessment and the development of education
- Take two courses from the General Education schedule – courses outside your main field of study – to broaden your understanding

In the next two years you will:
- Take part in one practical placement per year in a NZ-based language teaching centre
- Study curriculum development, language learning theories and the disciplines that underpin TESOL, including psychology, sociology, philosophy and history
- Carry out your own inquiry research into a topic relevant to your teaching
- Choose an elective course per year in an area that interests you
Where can this programme take you?

You will be able to teach a range of age groups, from young learners to adults, and adapt your skills to different contexts, such as:

• Teaching in a language school, international school or university**
• Working on educational programmes with refugees and migrants
• Consulting for community organisations or government
• Private tutoring for individual clients or community education classes
• Educational leadership
• Curriculum development
• Advising on education policy

Interested in further study?

Through a wide variety of postgraduate study options you can develop further skills and new knowledge to advance your interests and undertake research.

Teaching in New Zealand schools

If you decide to pursue a career in early childhood, primary or secondary teaching in New Zealand, you can add a one-year teaching qualification at graduate level, such as the Graduate Diploma in Teaching, subject to meeting entry criteria.

www.auckland.ac.nz/becomeateacher

Other pathways into the programme

Foundation Programme

Our pathway programmes offer the best preparation for bachelor’s degree study to international and other students whose first language is not English.

www.auckland.ac.nz/foundation

Prior tertiary study

If you have started or completed tertiary study outside of New Zealand and want to study the BEd (TESOL), you can transfer from an overseas tertiary institution. Your overseas qualification(s) must be approved for University admission, and you must also meet the entry requirements and undergraduate English language requirements.

Scholarships

• Faculty of Education and Social Work TESOL Award: up to NZ$2,000 for international students with strong academic merit who enter directly into the second year of the BEd (TESOL) from selected partner institutions.
• International Student Scholarship: up to NZ$10,000 for new international students with strong academic merit.
• Dean’s Bachelor of Education (TESOL) Bursary: available for students transferring from selected partner institutions.

www.auckland.ac.nz/is-scholarships

"The Bachelor of Education (TESOL) is a premier and world-renowned TESOL programme. Having worked with international partners for over 15 years, the Faculty of Education and Social Work is well supported by a contingent of internationally eminent scholars, excellent teachers and doctoral research students.”

Professor Lawrence Zhang, PhD
Applied Linguistics and TESOL | Faculty of Education and Social Work

"The Bachelor of Education (TESOL) constantly engages me to push myself to the limit as I explore the subjects I am truly passionate about.”

Rin Shimizu
Bachelor of Education (TESOL) student

*QS World University Rankings by Subject 2020
** The degree does not qualify you to apply for provisional teacher certification as a practising teacher in New Zealand schools. In order to teach at schools in New Zealand, you would need to complete an additional one-year Graduate Diploma in Teaching.

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“In our award-winning faculty you will experience world-class teaching in a supportive environment. Classes model a variety of teaching approaches and techniques, including individual, pair and group work. Learning is interactive, collaborative and uses the latest technologies for individualised learning. The theory and research we teach can be applied to different educational contexts and is linked to current issues and trends in policy, practice and research.”

Dr Christine Biebricher
Programme Director, BEd (TESOL)
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