

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES

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MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING (MAT) ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE NON-LICENSURE TRACK

Objectives

The Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) English as a Second Language is a dynamic interdisciplinary program jointly administered by the English and education departments. The non-licensure strand is appropriate for those who wish to pursue one of the many career options available in ESL including those in colleges, community organizations, adult education, or overseas. The required core courses emphasize linguistics and language acquisition on one hand and principles, methods, practice, and research on the other; electives allow students to specialize in a particular area of interest or to broaden their perspectives through a variety of relevant courses. The program also prepares interested students to pursue doctoral studies in the field.

Admissions

Visit salemstate.edu/graduate for admissions requirements, deadlines and prerequisites (if any).

It may be possible to take a limited number of courses prior to formal admission to the program. If you are interested in this option, please contact the graduate program coordinator. If you are accepted into the program, you must meet with the graduate program coordinator to develop a tentative plan of study and discuss any transfer credits. Graduate program coordinator contact information may be found at salemstate.edu/graduate/programs.

Program Requirements

All candidates must

- have proficiency in a foreign language before completing the program
- complete a minimum of 36 credits of graduate course work, as described below

Course Requirements

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| • ENG 776 | Foundations of Linguistic Theory | 3 |
| • ENG 771 | Sociolinguistics | 3 |
| • EDU 793 | Second Language Acquisition | 3 |
| • EDU/ENG
791N/770N | Theories and Principles of Teaching ESL | 3 |
| • EDU/ENG
794N/778N | Assessment of Second Language Learners | 3 |
| • EDU/ENG
792 OR
EDU/ENG
722 | Methods and Approaches in Teaching English as a Second Language
OR
Methods of Teaching Adult ESL | 3 |

- EDU/ENG 839 Research in TESL 3
- EDU 779 OR Seminar in Teaching ESL OR 6
 ENG 965 MAT Capstone Experience, Part One: Theory and Research AND
 AND ENG 966 MAT Capstone Experience, Part Two: Writing Project

Electives

Choose three or four electives in content area, linguistics, literacy, language and culture, bilingual education or special topics

Notes

The School of Graduate Studies reserves the right to make changes in program and course requirements, policies and regulations as circumstances dictate. There is no guarantee that any listed course will be offered in any given semester. Therefore, you should meet regularly with your program coordinator to discuss your progress and revise your plan of study as needed.