

# Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (MA)

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*This program is offered by the College of Humanities and Social Sciences. It is available online, at the St. Louis main campus and at select international campuses. ^ Please see the Campus Locations and Offerings section of this catalog for a list of campuses where this program is offered.*

## **Program Description**

The master of arts in teaching English to speakers of other languages (MA in TESOL) at Webster University is designed for

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- TESL 5030 Linguistics for Language Learning and Teaching\* (3 hours)
- TESL 5230 Theories of Foreign and Second Language Acquisition\* (3 hours)
- TESL 5139 Instructional Methods for Language Classrooms\* (3 hours)
- TESL 5220 Lesson Planning and Curriculum Development for Language Classrooms\* (3 hours)
- TESL 5311 Language Assessment\* (3 hours)
- TESL 5350 Sociolinguistics\* (3 hours)
- Three credit hours of Practicum selected from::
  - TESL 5040 Practicum in English Language Classrooms (taken at the end of the programs)\* (1-3 hours)
  - TESL 5041 Tutoring in English (1 hour)
  - TESL 5042 Initial Practicum in English Language Classrooms (1 hour)

## Admission

See the Admission section of this catalog for general admission requirements. Students interested in applying must submit their application online at [www.webster.edu/](http://www.webster.edu/) apply. Transcripts should be sent from your institution electronically to [transcripts@webster.edu](mailto:transcripts@webster.edu). If this service is not available, send transcripts to:

Office of Admission  
Webster University  
470 E. Lockwood Ave.  
St. Louis, MO 63119

## Additional Requirements

Requirements for admission to the MA in teaching English to speakers of other languages program include:

- Receipt of official transcripts from the baccalaureate granting institution.
- Undergraduate cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher.
- Non-native speakers need to pass TOEFL, paper-based score of 575 and above (International students – see graduate catalog).

## Advancement to Candidacy

Students are admitted to their graduate program upon completion of all admission requirements. Students are advanced to candidacy status after successfully completing 12 credit hours with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher. In specialized programs, courses required as prerequisites to the program do not count toward the 12 credit hours required for advancement.