

# SEE THE WORLD

## TEACH ENGLISH ABROAD

TEACHING ENGLISH AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE

CERTIFICATE PROGRAM



**UCI** University of  
California, Irvine

# TEACHING ENGLISH AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE (TEFL)

## CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

UCI Division of Continuing Education's TEFL Certificate Program provides both new and experienced teachers the qualifications and skills to teach with confidence in an international English language classroom and the opportunity to find the best teaching jobs abroad. This 11-week intensive program features University of California-approved curriculum taught by highly qualified teacher-trainers who have extensive experience living and teaching abroad. As part of a cohort program, you will experience personal growth and professional development as you learn with and get to know domestic and international classmates.

Teaching abroad will give you the opportunity to learn about different cultures, the chance to make money while traveling, and the reward of helping others learn English as a worldwide tool for business and personal communication. It will also enhance your communication skills, self-confidence, and international knowledge. Program grads often express their gratitude for what they learned in the program and how much they enjoyed their experience abroad. There is no better time to teach English abroad!



**“Who knew that my one-year plan to live abroad would turn into over 3 years! I am still in Munich and teaching kindergarten. This year I have also picked up some private tutoring that I do on the side. I have made so many great friends in Germany and have gotten to see so much of Europe. I am still ever so thankful to UC Irvine for teaching and preparing me so well.”**

**LIZ DONNELLY**

*TEFL Certificate Program Graduate*

### Why Teach English Abroad

Increase your professional abilities and earning potential and expand your world view.

- » See the world—travel to the sights and places you've always dreamed of
- » Immerse yourself in a new culture
- » Build your resume through international experience
- » Find many job opportunities and begin a rewarding career path in teaching English as a foreign language
- » Make lifelong friendships and contacts
- » Make a difference by helping others

### Program Benefits

- » Over 150 hours of specialized training
- » Taught by highly qualified teacher-trainers who have lived and taught abroad
- » Study alongside international teachers who teach English in their home countries
- » Receive access to ESL/EFL teachers for career and job counseling during and after program
- » Includes a 10-hour course specifically designed to foster effective country and job research
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- » Interact with international ESL students through social activities and tutoring opportunities
- » Observe and gain insight from highly-trained English language teachers in authentic ESL classrooms
- » University of California certificate is recognized worldwide

## TEFL Internship (optional)

Get the opportunity to work as a teacher in a real-world setting, take on workplace projects, earn academic credit, learn new skills and concepts, and make professional contacts in our 10-week Internship! Students are eligible after the successful completion of the TEFL Certificate Program.

Internship Benefits:

- » Approximately 75 hours of observation and participation in an authentic ESL classroom
- » Get paired with a Master Teacher in our Academic 10-Week ESL program and develop personal and professional teaching relationships and contacts
- » Plan, evaluate, and teach full and mini lessons while receiving guidance and feedback
- » Create a digital video portfolio of your internship experiences to aid in future teacher job placement
- » Participate in a variety of administrative-level tasks for approximately 20-35 hours per week

## Program Details

- » Offered in spring and fall quarters
- » 11 weeks, Monday-Friday, approximately 15 class daytime hours per week
- » Classes are held between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

**Location:** UC Irvine Campus

**Certificate Program Fee:** \$7,900

**Internship Fee:** \$2,900

**Application, candidacy, and student services fees:** \$250

*Textbooks not included.*

## Entrance Requirements

- » Completed application
- » Teaching experience not required
- » Minimum 71 iBT TOEFL, 530 PBT TOEFL, 685 TOEIC, 6.0 IELTS, or other evidence of English proficiency (for non-native speakers of English)

## Program Services

- » Individualized job guidance and referral
- » Contacts within network of public and private institutions around the world seeking EFL teachers
- » Continuous post-graduation job counseling
- » Lifelong network of teachers and advisors

## Learn More

Attend free information sessions offered throughout the year. Check our website regularly for event dates and registration at [ce.uci.edu/resources/events](http://ce.uci.edu/resources/events).

## Curriculum

**Theories of Language Learning Survey**

**Teaching Young Learners**

**Methods of TEFL**

**TEFL Practicum**

**Language Diagnostics and Assessment**

**Teaching the Skills**

**Teaching Pronunciation Skills**

**Teaching English as a Career**



“I gained the skills and confidence I needed to secure the job I have now and succeed in my teaching career at an English conversation school in Japan. I thoroughly enjoy my work, love the life I have here in Japan, and will always be grateful to the staff and experts in this program.”

**WESLEY CHRISTENSON**

*TEFL Certificate Program Graduate*

**The mission of the TEFL Certificate Program is to train and equip domestic and international teacher-trainees with practical teaching skills and cultural awareness to be able to successfully teach English abroad.**



“The TEFL program prepared me to be a professional teacher, to make lessons fun, and always push myself to be better. Without it, I wouldn’t have had the opportunity to teach in Vietnam for two and a half years and to discover that I really love teaching. Now I know it is what I want to do with my life.”

**THUY-VY “CECILIA” TRAN**  
*TEFL Certificate Program Graduate*



“I did a lot of research about TEFL courses before selecting UCI’s program. While there are several programs to choose from in California, no others offered all of the key points I was looking for. I came away with countless practical classroom lesson techniques, a thorough understanding of the theories, methods, and applications that are fundamental to ESL teaching. The results are already astonishing! It was truly a fantastic experience where my instructors became friends, at one of the most beautiful campuses anywhere.”

**WILLIAM C. BONNAUD**  
*TEFL Certificate Program Graduate*

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