

LANGUAGE EDUCATION, SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

ESL/EFL CERTIFICATE PROGRAM VIA DISTANCE EDUCATION

Description: The Language Education Department is offering a certificate program in language education via distance to selected EFL/ESL and Language Education instructors. The certificate program would be comprised of five courses.

Participants could thus earn up to 15 credits of IU coursework (and a certificate) without having to leave their home institutions and their workplace. They would not be admitted as degree students at IU, but they would have an IU transcript and if they subsequently enroll in an MA degree program in the US (including IU, of course), some or all of these credits should apply to their degree requirements. In addition, the IU Language Education Certificate could serve as a teaching credential for teachers.

Prerequisites:

- a. Writing sample (1-2 pages) for submission upon application. The sample should consist of a short paper entitled, "Challenges for Language Teachers in the New Millennium in your country/state/school corporation." It should have 2-3 citations from outside sources. The paper should be saved as a Word document (e.g. paper.doc) and submitted as an email attachment to: <u>fpawan@indiana.edu</u>
- b. A Bachelor's Degree in the US or the equivalent from an overseas university. ("B" average from the undergraduate degree is expected from all applicants).
- c. A TOEFL score of 550 and above in the written test (or 213 and above on the TOEFL computerized test) or an equivalent test of English Language Proficiency. (International participants).

Technical Requirements:

- Access to the internet (with Netscape or Internet Explorer); basic familiarity with computer functions and programs such as word processing and use of email.
- Connection to the internet via modem or other means at a speed equivalent to 28Kbs or higher.

Courses:

Participants will take five <u>graduate</u> courses altogether. The courses are part of the Language Education/Distance Education course offerings that can be found at the following site:

Language Education Distance Program Master Course Schedule

<u>Three</u> courses will be pre-selected by the program administrators. Participants can <u>choose</u> the remaining <u>two from courses</u> offered in Language Education/Distance Education Program.

Pre-selected courses:

- 1. Current Approaches in Instruction and Assessment in EFL/ENL
- 2. <u>Issues in Language Teaching and Learning</u>
- 3. Computer Assisted Language Learning

Suggested courses:

- Providing Reading and Academic Support for Postsecondary Learners
- Teaching Writing to Non-Native Speakers of English (in development)
- <u>Strategies and Styles in Language Learning</u>
- <u>Teaching English for Specific Purposes</u>

Successful applicants will be notified by email.

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