

THE TESOL COLLEGE

CERTIFICATE IN TEACHING IELTS

Course Information

Course Developer

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This **Certificate in Teaching IELTS** is an award of THE TESOL COLLEGE, delivered globally from the UK as a distance online course.

Introduction

The IELTS (International English Language Testing System) test of English is an examination testing the four skills of language (Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking). It is jointly owned and administered by Cambridge English, IDP Australia and the British Council. A specified score in the IELTS test is a requirement of universities in the UK, Ireland, Canada, Australia and New Zealand for study at degree level for applicants from countries where English is not the medium of instruction in the state school system. It is also used as an indicator of ability in English for immigration. It is increasingly an accepted test to show general ability in English.

Teachers of English are becoming more and more involved in preparing students for the IELTS test. IELTS teaching is a specialisation and teachers equipped with a dedicated qualification in this field will produce better learning outcomes.

Course Aim

The aim of the course is to allow those wishing to teach IELTS preparation, those training to be teachers and those qualified or already teaching, who wish to build knowledge of the IELTS test and to become confident deliverers of courses preparing students for the test.

Course Structure

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UNIT 1 THE IELTS TEST
UNIT 2 STUDENTS AND COURSES
UNIT 3 LISTENING
UNIT 4 READING
UNIT 5 WRITING
UNIT 6 SPEAKING
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Entry Requirement

This is an entry-level qualification and is not a full, comprehensive teacher training qualification. We expect a wide range of entrants and therefore there is no formal academic entry requirement. Participants should be aged 18 years or above.

Course Materials

The 54-page *Online Course Book* includes comprehensive course notes for the six units, with links to videos and other useful information. Appendix 1 is a list of useful web resources. There is no course textbook but an informative list of suggested books for further reading and teaching is given in Appendix 2. *Grammar Notes*, a 51-page resource, is included and is useful if you need help with understanding English Grammar and its terminology.

Course Duration

A minimum course commitment of at least 40 hours is expected. Some of this time will be needed to complete the mini tasks. There are many weblinks given and it is recommended that these are thoroughly explored to build knowledge of the IELTS test and its teaching. Maximum completion date and date of submission of the written assignment is within six months of the commencement date.

Course Fee

£ (GBP) 80.00 There is no VAT (GST) to add. This fee includes the course materials dispatched by email, online tutor support, the certificate and transcript and their dispatch to you by mail, plus all administration costs.

Assessment

The assessment is by one written assignment. The Pass mark is 50%. There is one resubmission of the assignment allowed, at no charge. There are five mini tasks in the course notes; it is recommended that these are completed and submitted but they are not part of the assessment.

Tutors

To be eligible to teach on this course, a tutor has a minimum of a Certificate or Diploma in TESOL/TEFL of at least 100 hours duration, or a Certificate or Diploma in teaching. In addition, the trainer will have a minimum of five years of teaching of English.

Online course option tutors: Dr Alan Richardson based in the UK, Ms Evelyn Hirst based in Canada.

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