

# Nazareth College ESOL Certification-Only Program Guidelines

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO REGISTER?

A student who currently holds NYS teaching certification and has completed a master's degree, and who is seeking to earn ESOL Certification.

New York State Education Department requires 12 credit hours of a language other than English for ESOL Certification. This pre-requisite must be met prior to enrolling in ESOL coursework at Nazareth.

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## OBTAIN APPROVAL FOR THE ESOL CERTIFICATION ONLY PROGRAM

1. Complete the approval form for ESOL Certification-Only Program (on reverse of these guidelines) and submit at least three weeks prior to the start of the semester.

### ***Required attachments:***

- a. An official transcript from the college where you completed your highest degree
- b. A copy of your NY state certification if available or other printed documentation indicating that you hold certification (this may include a screen shot from your TEACH website profile demonstrating your completed certifications).
- c. A personal professional statement (details on following page)

Return approval and registration forms to Patricia Huntington, Director of Academic Support Services, by one of the following methods:

- In person: Nazareth College – Golisano Academic Center, Room 207
- Mail: Nazareth College, Attn: Patricia Huntington  
4245 East Avenue, Rochester, NY 14618

2. Once approval has been granted for the ESOL Certification-Only Program, meet with Program Director for advisement.
3. Complete a Walk-in Registration form (available in Smyth Hall, Room 1 or on-line at <http://www.naz.edu/gradstudies>). Registration for your first semester requires your advisor's signature.

The student must also be prepared to pay for the course(s) at the time of registration. Payment can be made in the form of cash, check, credit card, Employer Sponsored Tuition Program form, or Tuition Waiver.

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## Required Courses

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| TSL 603 | 3.0 c.h. | Linguistics and Second Language Acquisition (Includes 15 hours of field work) |
| TSL 605 | 3.0 c.h. | Culture and Context in TESOL/Bilingual Curriculum Assessment                  |
| TSL 611 | 3.0 c.h. | Principles and Practices of TESOL (Includes 35 hours of field work)           |
| TSL 620 | 3.0 c.h. | Language and Literacy Development for English Language Learners               |
| TSL 604 | 3.0 c.h. | Foundations of Bilingual/Multicultural Education                              |
| TSL 635 | 3.0 c.h. | Practicum and Seminar in TESOL  |

**STUDENT INFORMATION**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security #: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Required to document certification)

Address (Street, City, State, Zip): \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Highest Degree Held: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Conferred: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Name of College/University: \_\_\_\_\_

Please submit along with this form an official transcript from the college where you completed your highest degree

List teacher certification presently held

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**Personal Professional Statement**

An essential component of the application is the personal/professional statement describing your reasons for undertaking the ESOL Certification-Only program. It should include any information that will advance your candidacy, e.g., personal and professional attributes and goals, volunteer and professional experiences related to the program to which you are applying, and other related life experiences. You should also address your future academic plans and anticipated contributions to the specific profession for which this program will prepare you.

**\*Regarding the GPA requirement:** A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or higher is expected. An applicant who does not meet these expectations must address them in his/her personal/professional statement.

For what term are you seeking course registration?  Fall  Spring  Summer I  Summer II

By signing below, I am confirming my understanding that continuation in coursework in subsequent semesters will be based on my academic and professional performance, and program director's approval.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**AUTHORIZATION OF PROGRAM DIRECTOR**

Authorization of the Director of the Program:

Approved  Not Approved

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Program Director Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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