

Professional Development Award:
GA53 49 Teaching English to
Speakers of Other Languages
(TESOL) at SCQF level 9

G91E 46 PDA: Introduction to Tutoring ESOL (ITESOL)

SCQF level 6



GA53 49 PDA in TESOL

SCQF level 9



GC3D 50 PDA in Applied Practitioner Studies in TESOL

SCQF level 10

The PDA in TESOL at SCQF level 9 provides practical, flexible and accessible initial TESOL training. This qualification is relevant to you if you intend to deliver, or are already delivering, ESOL in a variety of contexts. The primary focus is on adult ESOL learning.

Structure

The qualification consists of four Units:

- FE71 36 ESOL and the Learners
- FE70 36 English Language Frameworks (TESOL)
- FE6Y 36 Language Skills (TESOL)
- FE72 36 ESOL Planning and Delivery

All Units are mandatory and, together, they will give you 32 SCQF credit points at SCQF level 9.

The qualification is designed to give you the essential knowledge and skills to teach ESOL effectively. The Units combine theory and practice, with teaching practice and observation at their core. You will learn about ESOL contexts, factors impacting on ESOL learning, and how to analyse language and skills in order to deliver a range of lesson types with different levels of ESOL learners. You will develop strategies and techniques to deliver ESOL effectively. You will evaluate your own teaching, using reflection as a tool for further development.

ESOL and the Learners explores ESOL delivery contexts, the diversity of ESOL learners and their learning needs, and the approaches, strategies and techniques used in ESOL delivery to take account of this diversity.

English Language Frameworks (TESOL) focuses on the analysis of grammatical, lexical and phonological features of English, clearly linked to needs analysis and to the planning and delivery of language-based ESOL lessons.

Language Skills (TESOL) focuses on the analysis of the four language skills of speaking, listening, reading and writing, clearly linked to needs analysis and to the planning and delivery of skills-based ESOL lessons.

ESOL Planning and Delivery focuses on strategies and techniques, including those related to classroom management and the design and exploitation of resources, required to plan for and deliver ESOL teaching and learning effectively.

Other information

In this qualification you will work with an individual learner to analyse their English language needs and level, observe ESOL teachers during delivery, and plan and deliver at least six hours of ESOL lessons to groups. You are assessed through practical and performance-based assignments, submitted through a Teaching Portfolio.

Progression opportunities

The PDA in TESOL at SCQF level 9 is an initial teaching qualification for ESOL practitioners. It provides a progression route to the PDA in Applied Practitioner Studies in TESOL at SCQF level 10 and can facilitate access to other higher level qualifications in this field.

Find out more

If you'd like to find out more about the PDA in TESOL at SCQF level 9 and other TESOL qualifications which SQA offers, go to www.sqa.org.uk/tesol



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