



M.A. in TESOL/BDL Curriculum Sheet

Foundation Coursework

Semester	Course Code	Course Title	Credits
Fall	EDC 420	Second Language Acquisition and Assessment	3
Fall	EDC 526	Applied Linguistics for TESOL/BDL	3
Spring or Summer Session 1	EDC 501	Socio-Cultural Aspects of Language Minority Education	3
Spring or Summer Session 1	EDC 563	Literacy for Multicultural Populations	3

Research Course

Must be taken after or concurrent with EDC 501

Semester	Course Code	Course Title	Credits
Spring or Summer Session 2	EDC 506	Researching Language in Educational Settings	3

Methods and Application Coursework

Semester	Course Code	Course Title	Credits
Fall or Spring	EDC 516*	Teaching Dual Language/English as a Second Language	3
Fall or Summer Session 2	EDC 515	Structured English Immersion and Sheltered English	3
Spring or Summer Session 1	EDC 519	Teaching Internship in TESOL/Dual Language Immersion	3

*Must be taken after EDC 501 and EDC 506

**Students choose two, 500-level elective courses to complete the 30 credit M.A. program.

TOTAL 24**

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MASTER'S IN TESOL AND/OR BILINGUAL AND DUAL LANGUAGE IMMERSION

The University of Rhode Island offers a Master's in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) and Bilingual and Dual Language Immersion (BDL). The program is designed for educators who want to earn a TESOL/BDL certification as part of an advanced degree program. We also accept students who want to teach English in international settings. All courses, except for the face-to-face internship (EDC 519), are fully online and asynchronous. The internship must be completed teaching Multilingual Learners in a setting relevant to the educator's certification program (TESOL or BDL).

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How much is the tuition?

Upon acceptance into the M.A. in TESOL/BDL program, students are eligible for the flat rate, reduced tuition of "Out of State" graduate summer rates. Visit the URI Summer website to see tuition rates as they may increase annually. Rates for Graduate student fees are available on the Enrollment Services website.

How do I apply?

Go to <https://web.uri.edu/graduate-school/apply/> and create an account in GradCAS.

What do I need to apply?

- Undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or conditional acceptance with a 2.75 or higher (3.0 GPA must be maintained throughout the program)
- Copy of current and relevant teaching certification
- A résumé indicating teaching experiences
- A personal statement revealing rationale for applying to the M.A. in TESOL/BDL program
- Two letters of recommendation, including one from personnel in a supervisory capacity

What are the application deadlines?

We accept students in fall, spring, and summer.

Summer admission April 1 deadline; Fall admission July 15 deadline; Spring admission November 15 deadline.

How long will it take to complete the program?

The student sets the pace of the program according to the number of courses s/he wants to take each semester. Students typically take two years to complete the program, but have up to five years to complete the program from matriculation date. Students are able to take up to two leaves of absences during those five years.

What are the ESOL/BDL certification requirements?

- Successfully complete certification coursework with a 3.0 GPA or higher
- Score a 155 or higher on Praxis, 5362, English to Speakers of Other Languages; teachers seeking a BDL certification must also pass relevant language Praxis assessments and the OPI (Oral Proficiency Interview).
- "Meet Standard" on the grading rubric for all critical performance assessments that are embedded within the certification coursework
- Demonstrate proficiency in the Science of Reading and Structured Literacy

Can international students apply for a student visa to complete the program while living in the United States?

No. The U.S. Citizen and Immigration Services and the Department of Homeland Security have ruled that international students on an F-1 or J-1 visa may not enroll in an online degree program while living in the United States. International students can participate in the program while living outside of the U.S.

