

Planning to study or travel abroad?

Interested in the Peace Corps or Fulbright Exchange programs?

Seeking to broaden your intercultural awareness?

Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) Minor

The [TESOL Minor](#) provides undergraduate students from any major with the minimum qualifications to teach English to adults in a variety of language programs in the United States and abroad. Prescribed courses include knowledge about the English language, approaches to teaching English, as well as tutoring and team teaching experiences in authentic ESL instructional settings. Students who obtain a TESOL Minor typically seek teaching positions in private language institutes or as private language tutors in the United States and abroad as well as through organizations such as the Peace Corps and the Fulbright Exchange. In addition, upon graduation students are encouraged to participate in one of the international teaching exchanges sponsored by the [Department of Applied Linguistics](#).

Prescribed courses (12 credits)

APLNG 200 Introduction to Language, Culture, and Social Interaction
APLNG 210 The Ecology of Global English
APLNG 484 Discourse-Functional Grammar
APLNG 493 Teaching English as a Second Language

Additional Courses (6 credits) from the following:

APLNG 083S First-year seminar in Applied Linguistics
APLNG 410 Teaching American English Pronunciation
APLNG 412 Teaching Second Language Writing
APLNG 482 Introduction to Applied Linguistics
APLNG 491 Theory in Second Language Acquisition

Admission requirements

Students may apply for the TESOL minor in eLion at <https://elion.psu.edu>.

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