

TESOL CERTIFICATION: SOUTHERN BAJA, MEXICO

In-class TESOL Certification Course:

This TESOL Certification Course is offered at different locations in either La Paz and/ or Cabo San Lucas, Baja California Sur, Mexico. This student-centered course covers 120 hours divided into three modules of approximately 40 hours each. The first module covers the Fundamental Elements of ELT. The second module focuses on Teaching a Language. The third module covers Language Use and the Textbook. There are two course options: An intensive 3-week course of 8 hours per day or a regular 14-weekend course (8 hours on Friday and Saturday). Both courses and locations are subject to demand. A minimum of 15 students is required in order to open each course.

Dates: For information about dates and locations, contact Colleen colleen@loscabosnews.com.mx or Hortensia hquintanar@hotmail.com

Material:

Participants are required to purchase the main course book, *The Practice of English Language, 4th Edition, by Jeremy Harmer.* It is recommended that out of country students purchase the book before coming to Mexico in order to complete the first module. It can be purchased on line (at Amazon.com) for approximately \$40 USD. Other books and material will be available for consulting on site.

Course and Certificate Fees:

Visiting out-of-country participants pay \$750 USD for the entire course. That does not include housing. Contacts for housing can be arranged if required. The TESOL Certificate costs an additional \$125 USD, including shipping.

Course Overview:

Our TESOL certification course is taught by experienced instructors in a dynamic, interactive and proactive setting. It is designed to help practicing teachers and potential teachers understand and teach the most fundamental and frequently used grammatical forms. It puts emphasis on using English grammar in context and combines both traditional and innovative approaches to teaching language.

Course Objectives: The goal of the course is to introduce the fundamentals of teaching English by reflecting on methodologies and approaches that have influenced classroom practice. It shows how to teach language structures in a sequence. It illustrates how to expose learners to new language, how to get them to practice different structures and how to get them to use the new language in different contexts. It helps teachers prepare organized, balanced lessons. Participants work in different group settings to discuss topics and share ideas. By the end of the course, participants will have observed and taught in a local classroom setting, prepared different stages of a lesson and demonstrated a balanced lesson.

Course Outline:

Module 1 - Fundamental Elements of ELT

I. Aspects of Teaching and Learning

II. Methodology

- Current and traditional methodologies
- Language Acquisition & Learning

III. Successful Language Teaching

IV. Necessary elements for teaching language

• A trilogy of teaching sequence elements

V. Basic grammar structures

Evaluation

- Written quiz (graded)
- Student demonstrations (graded)

Module 2 - Teaching Language

- I. Focusing on New Language
- II. 21st Century Skills
- III. Productive skills
 - Speaking and Writing

IV. Receptive Skills

- Reading and Listening
- V. Integrating skills

VI. Basic and intermediate grammar structures

Evaluation

- Written quiz (graded)
- Student demonstrations (graded)

Module III - Language Use and the Textbook

- I. Necessary elements for using language
- **II.** The Communicative Approach
- III. Task-based learning
- **IV. Incorporating Critical Thinking**
- V. Sequencing a lesson
- VI. How to choose, use and adapt a textbook
- VII. Advanced grammar structures

Evaluation

- Written quiz (graded)
- Individual Student Mini-Lesson (graded)

During the course, students are required to observe 3 English language classes and teach 3 English lessons.

Contact Information:

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