

## Pre-BA Second Field Certification in Teaching English as a Second Language

The pre-BA 2nd field certification in TESL allows undergraduates who are receiving their 1st field certification in another discipline to also receive certification in TESL as a second teaching field.

As of 1/7/08, the State of New Jersey is also requiring that all candidates for TESL certification demonstrate spoken and written proficiency in English by taking the Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) and the Written (WT) portion of the ACTFL Proficiency Test and achieving a level of 'Advanced High' on both.

Montclair State University also requires that the candidate for TESL certification maintain a **GPA of 3.0** for the courses in the program.

Second Field Certification in TESL at the pre-BA level requires the following six courses (18 credits):

Course	Semester Offered	Student Choice
LNGN Introduction to General Linguistics ( <b>pre- or co- requisite for all the other courses; students cannot take 325 or 403 without this course</b> )	Every semestser	
LNGN 220 Structure of American English	Every semester	
LNGN245 Language and Culture	Every spring	
LNGN325 Principles of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Language Learning ( <b>pre-req for LNGN403</b> )	Every spring	
LNGN403 Methods and Materials of TESL	Every fall	
LNGN405 Field experience in TESL	Every semester	

I understand that 2nd field certification in Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL) is only granted by the State of New Jersey, not Montclair State University or its Linguistics Department and that the state grants the second certification only after the first certification is obtained.

I understand that Montclair State University will not present my courses for TESL certification to the state of New Jersey if my GPA in those courses is below 3.0.

I understand that state certification in TESL is conditional upon attainment of an 'advanced high' rank in the ACTFL OPI and WT tests of English language proficiency and that it is incumbent upon me to provide my scores from these tests to the Linguistics Department.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_