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BLI Teacher Training

Teaching English as a Foreign Language / Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

Course duration: 120 hours / four weeks

Time: Daily, Monday to Friday, 08:30 to 16:00 with breaks

Requirements: 100% attendance is mandatory
National Senior certificate or equivalent
Minimum age of 21 years
60% pass in BLI usage of English test

Split (approximate):

Grammar:	10 hours (including peer observation)
Phonology:	10 hours (including peer observation)
Teaching theory:	60 hours (including peer observation)
Lesson Planning:	10 hours (including peer observation)
Student profiling:	10 hours
Teaching Practice:	17 hours
Teacher Observation:	3 hours

Please note: durations may vary.

Content

Teaching Techniques:

Teaching technique inputs normally cover:

- approaches to language learning
- ice-breakers
- controlled practice
- boards
- lesson planning models – with peer teaching
- appropriate language and comprehensible input
- language in context – with peer teaching
- vocabulary: co text and context
- communicative activities
- theatre techniques
- textbook review and evaluation
- classroom management
- listening activities
- pronunciation activities
- reading activities
- writing activities
- teaching young learners
- feedback and testing





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Language Awareness:

- Grammar: inputs cover word classes, simple sentence elements, complex sentences and clauses, verb time and tense, aspect and conditionals and modals, phrasal and voice.
- Phonology: covering phonemics, rhythm, stress, intonation, place & manner of articulation and connected speech.

Student Profile:

Trainees work with individual students on rapport-building, error analysis and correction and addressing individual student needs. This includes individual meetings and teaching practice, with error analysis, culminating in a 30-minute session observed by a trainer.

Teaching Practice and Observation:

(Teaching practice, observation of experienced teachers and teaching practice at a local kindergarten), will total approximately 20 hours. This excludes 10 hours of peer teaching and observation, which forms part of the input sessions.

Trainees complete:

- approx. 3 - 5 hours observing experienced teachers
- approx. 15 - 17 hours of teaching practice
- *approx. 10 hours of peer observation (depends on number of participants)*

Teaching practice and observation may vary from time-to-time, depending on numbers and time available.

Assessment:

Assessment is based on:

- Student profile assessment
- Assessment of lesson planning
- Assessment of practice teaching
- Assessment of level of participation and commitment in class
- Assessment of peer teaching during input sessions (based on a rubric)
- Assessment of 3 formal presentations:
 - Country presentation (on a country in which the student wants to teach)
 - Characteristics of a good EFL teacher
 - Using an excursion for a series of lessons
- TEFL course review project

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