

Second Language Education and Culture

The concentration area Second Language Education and Culture is designed to provide teachers an in-depth understanding of cultural issues and appropriate educational practice for non-English speakers. It is for those who plan to teach overseas, teach in community colleges, or teach in language centers with an international perspective. It is open to educators at every level and setting. Successful completion of coursework will lead to the TESOL certificate and the Texas state ESL certificate. Courses and internship will provide all-levels experience in pedagogy and practice, with child and/or adult learners, immigrant and global populations. In addition, students are encouraged to take advantage of international travel experiences as planned by the Graduate Studies in Education, in order to extend knowledge and fulfill internship hours. Applications are due by April 15, June 15, October 15, for acceptance for the following semester.

Courses and schedule for the 18 hour concentration are as follows:

Summer I, 2008 (Monday-Thursday)

EDU 6360 Language Acquisition
RDG 6320 Diagnosis and Remediation of Reading Difficulties

Summer 2008 Travel and Teach Brazil or Peru (July 3 – July 13)

EDU 6358 Improving Practice Internship** TBA
EDU 6399.70 Special Topics: Emerging Education Issues in Brasil
EDU 6399.71 Special Topics: Emerging Education Issues in Peru
RDG 6325 Developing Literacy (for either Brasil travelers or Peru travelers)

Summer II, 2008 (Monday-Thursday, except internship)

EDU 6357 Cross-Cultural Communications
EDU 6320 ESL Methodology

Fall, 2008 (6356 is on Mondays, internship TBA)

EDU 6356 Applied Linguistics
EDU 6358 Improving Practice Internship, TBA

Spring, 2009

EDU 6358 Improving Practice Internship, TBA

Notes: Students may begin the program in any semester. The internship course (EDU 6358) may be repeated for additional credit. **It is possible to complete the entire M.Ed. in the Second Language Education and Culture (SLEC) program in one year, summer through summer.** Please see Dr. Miranda for complete advising and scheduling.

Scholarships are available.

**TBA Local sites or possible international travel experience (Brazil, Mexico, Costa Rica, Croatia).