EDST5440

Advanced TESOL Methodology

Term 2, 2022
Course Overview

Staff Contact Details

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Course Details

Units of Credit 6

Workload

150 hours including class contact hours, readings, class preparation, assessment, follow up activities, etc.

Summary of the Course

In this course you gain new or updated skills in the specialist TESOL field. You engage with advanced language teaching methodology and its practical applications through a program of seminars and online interactions. Topics cover different approaches to English language learning and teaching, including effective teaching strategies and techniques for teaching reading, writing, listening and speaking, materials development, and the planning and evaluation of individual lessons and units of work. The role of ICT and the internet is addressed as an integral part of the whole course.

Course Learning Outcomes

1. Identify, describe and critique the underlying principles of TESOL methodology
2. Integrate key theoretical and practical issues and debates around contemporary TESOL teaching methods and techniques in lesson plans
3. Critically analyse the strengths and weaknesses of different methodological approaches to TESOL and the implications for students' own teaching situation
4. Evaluate and adapt teaching and learning materials to suit students' own teaching context, based on their understanding of the relevant research literature

Teaching Strategies

Teaching strategies:

Students learn best when they are engaged and given an appropriate level of challenge; when their prior experience and knowledge is valued and built upon; when they are expected to take responsibility for their own learning; and when they work collaboratively with their peers.

Thus, teaching strategies used during the course will include:

- Weekly, face-to-face contact sessions
- Small group cooperative learning to demonstrate the use of group structures to address teaching and learning goals
- Structured occasions for students to reflect critically on and improve teaching practice
- Plenary discussions around core methodological issues and debates
- Extensive opportunities for whole group and small group dialogue and discussion, allowing students the opportunity to demonstrate their capacity to communicate and liaise with the diverse members of an education community, and to demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of method content
- Online learning from readings and other useful web links
These activities will occur in a classroom climate that is supportive and inclusive of all learners.

Rationale:

As language is constantly evolving, practising TESOL teachers and other professionals closely involved in the field need to constantly reflect upon and re-evaluate their understandings of language and how best to teach it. The course thus aims to critically analyse, revise and extend students’ understanding and practice of the core approaches and techniques of TESOL methodology.
**Assessment**

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**Assessment 1: Design of a learning task**

**Due date:** 26/06/2022 05:00 PM

Design a learning task targeted to a specific group of ESL learners and provide a rationale for how it would assist those learners to acquire the target language.

This assignment is submitted through Turnitin and students can see Turnitin similarity reports.

**Additional details**

**Learning Task Design**

**Length: No more than 2000 words**

Identify a specific target group of ESL learners. Select a short reading, listening or viewing text and design a series of 2 or 4 steps (e.g. pre-task, post-task) which help the targeted students to:

- Understand and talk about the text, and
- Extend their understanding and use of English in communicative, authentic ways.

Explain how your activity would actively engage your chosen learner group in learning and using English.

Please note that tasks here are components of your pedagogical activity.

**Assessment 2: Lesson plan discussion**

**Due date:** 07/08/2022 05:00 PM

Prepare a detailed lesson plan and a comprehensive assessment of the approach in relation to key theoretical and practical issues and its alignment with various TESOL methodological approaches.

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**Length: No more than 3000 words** (excluding references)

- Prepare a detailed lesson plan using a short listening, reading or viewing text as a springboard for the teaching of a language point (vocabulary and grammar or vocabulary and a functional
• Provide an in-depth rationale and assessment of your lesson plan with reference to theories underlying the teaching of English as a second language, making full use of the relevant literature. Your evaluation should include a discussion of the strengths and weaknesses of the materials and tasks chosen, as well as their suitability for the context in which you would normally teach.
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Assessment Task 1: Design of a learning task

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Recommended: /20 (FL PS CR DN HD)  
Weighting: 40%

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### General comments/recommendations for next time:

- Recommended: /20 (FL PS CR DN HD)  
  Weighting: 60%

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Attendance Requirements

School of Education Attendance Requirement

The School of Education (SED) requires students meet a minimum attendance requirement of 80% of all scheduled classes (i.e., lectures, tutorials, workshops, seminars) for all courses. Attendance in person is required for tutorials, seminars, and workshops when course are delivered in face-to-face mode. It is the responsibility of students to ensure that their attendance is recorded for the face to face either by electronic means or via an attendance register. Attendance in online or blended mode will be assessed through digital. Further information can be found [here](#).

Course Schedule

[View class timetable](#)

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**Textbook**

• Chapter 1 - The meaning of methods; Chapter 2 - Learning theories and methods

**Additional readings**

| Week 3: 13 June - 17 June | Lecture | **Teaching grammar**

- What is grammar?
- How do ESL students acquire grammar?
- Form and function
- Principles and theories underlying the teaching of grammar

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Week 4: 20 June - 24 June  
Lecture  
Teaching vocabulary  
- What does it mean to know a word?  
- How do ESL students acquire vocabulary?  
- Strategies and underlying theories or teaching and learning vocabulary.  

Textbook  
- Chapter 5 - Vocabulary in methods  

Additional readings  

1st Assignment Due June 26th (5pm)

Week 5: 27 June - 1 July  
Lecture  
Teaching reading  
- What do we read?  
- Why and how do we read?  
- Implications for the classroom  
- Schema theory and background knowledge  
- Possible stages for developing reading skills  
- The purpose and theories underlying each stage  

Textbook  
- Chapter 6 - Teacher language and the four language skills
Week 6: 4 July - 8 July

Lecture

Additional readings


Teaching listening

- What do we listen to?
- Why and how do we listen?
- Implications for the classroom
- Schema theory and background knowledge
- Possible stages for developing listening skills
- The purpose and theories underlying each stage

Textbook

- Chapter 7 - Methods and principles for integrating the four skills

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**Additional readings**


### Week 9: 25 July - 29 July

**Lecture**

**The role of ICT**

- Pedagogical principles of ICT
- Advantages and disadvantages of using ICT in the classroom
- Integrating ICT in the language classroom

**Textbook**

- Chapter 8 - Multiliteracies

**Additional readings**

| Week 10: 1 August - 5 August | Lecture | Adapting course materials and materials development  
- A critique of samples of published course materials  
- Adapting materials  
- Small group tasks and peer teaching if time |
|---------------------------|---------|-----------------------------------------------------|
|                           |         | **Textbook**  
- Chapter 9 - Cultural competencies |
|                           |         | **Other chapters and articles**  
| Seminar                   |         | Optional online support meeting  
2nd assignment due August 7th (5pm) |
Resources

Prescribed Resources

Textbook


Recommended Resources

General background reading

Useful Websites

- https://corpus.eduhk.hk/cap/ (corpus-based language pedagogy)

Writing

- https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/purdue_owl.html
- https://writing-speech.dartmouth.edu/learning/materials
- https://www.phrasebank.manchester.ac.uk/

Grammar

- https://english.washington.edu/teaching/materials-teaching-grammar
- https://www.teachingenglish.org.uk/article/planning-a-grammar-lesson
- https://www.teachingideas.co.uk/subjects/grammar
- https://www.education.com/activity/grammar/

Listening

- http://www.esl-lab.com/
- http://www.englishmedialab.com/listening.html

Pronunciation

- https://linguistics.arizona.edu/dpl/links

Vocabulary

- https://www/english-corpora.org/coca/
- https://www.nobertschmitt.co.uk/
- https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/lals/about/staff/paul-nation
- https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/lals/resources/paul-nations-resources

Course Evaluation and Development

A mixture of delivery mode to enhance course participants' engagement.
Submission of Assessment Tasks

Turnitin Submission

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Generally, assessment tasks must be submitted electronically via either Turnitin or a Moodle assignment. In instances where this is not possible, it will be stated on your course’s Moodle site with alternative submission details.

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Academic Honesty and Plagiarism

Plagiarism is using the words or ideas of others and presenting them as your own. It can take many forms, from deliberate cheating to accidentally copying from a source without acknowledgement.

UNSW groups plagiarism into the following categories:

Copying: Using the same or very similar words to the original text or idea without acknowledging the source or using quotation marks. This includes copying materials, ideas or concepts from a book, article, report or other written document, presentation, composition, artwork, design, drawing, circuitry, computer program or software, website, internet, other electronic resource, or another person’s assignment without appropriate acknowledgement.

Inappropriate paraphrasing: Changing a few words and phrases while mostly retaining the original information, structure and/or progression of ideas of the original without acknowledgement. This also applies in presentations where someone paraphrases another’s ideas or words without credit and to piecing together quotes and paraphrases into a new whole, without appropriate referencing.

Collusion: Working with others but passing off the work as a person’s individual work. Collusion also includes providing your work to another student for the purpose of them plagiarising, paying another person to perform an academic task, stealing or acquiring another person’s academic work and copying it, offering to complete another person’s work or seeking payment for completing academic work.

Inappropriate citation: Citing sources which have not been read, without acknowledging the "secondary" source from which knowledge of them has been obtained.

Duplication ("self-plagiarism"): Submitting your own work, in whole or in part, where it has previously been prepared or submitted for another assessment or course at UNSW or another university.

Correct referencing practices

The UNSW Academic Skills support offers resources and individual consultations. Students are also reminded that careful time management is an important part of study. One of the identified causes of plagiarism is poor time management. Students should allow sufficient time for research, drafting and proper referencing of sources in preparing all assessment items.

UNSW Library has the ELISE tool available to assist you with your study at UNSW. ELISE is designed to introduce new students to studying at UNSW but it can also be a great refresher during your study. Completing the ELISE tutorial and quiz will enable you to:

- analyse topics, plan responses and organise research for academic writing and other assessment tasks
- effectively and efficiently find appropriate information sources and evaluate relevance to your needs
- use and manage information effectively to accomplish a specific purpose
- better manage your time
- understand your rights and responsibilities as a student at UNSW
- be aware of plagiarism, copyright, UNSW Student Code of Conduct and Acceptable Use of UNSW ICT Resources Policy
- be aware of the standards of behaviour expected of everyone in the UNSW community
- locate services and information about UNSW and UNSW Library
Academic Information

Due to evolving advice by NSW Health, students must check for updated information regarding online learning for all Arts, Design and Architecture courses this term (via Moodle or course information provided.)

For essential student information relating to:

- requests for extension;
- late submissions guidelines;
- review of marks;
- UNSW Health and Safety policies;
- examination procedures;
- special consideration in the event of illness or misadventure;
- student equity and disability;
- and other essential academic information, see

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