

OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

Period of study:

	Full-time programme	Part-time programme
Normative Study Period	1 year	2 years
Maximum Study Period	3 years	4 years

Tuition fee:

Full-time programme	HK\$158,400 (by 2 installments)
Part-time programme	HK\$151,200 (by 4 installments)

* Prevailing tuition fee, based on course units registered in respective term(s), will be applicable to continuing students (students who need to extend study beyond normative study period) newly registered with effect from 2025-26. Any fee paid will not be refunded.

Commencement of classes: September 2026

Class schedule : There are two terms per academic year. Term 1 is from September to December, and Term 2 from January to April. Classes are usually offered on weekday evenings and Saturday mornings.

Medium of instruction : Courses will be mainly taught in English. The medium of instruction will be subject to the availability of teachers. The Programme reserves the right of final decision on the medium of instruction. Students should observe the medium of instruction of each course in the system for course selection and registration.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES & ENQUIRIES

Programme website : <https://www.fed.cuhk.edu.hk/higherdegree-tesol/>

Online application : <https://www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk>

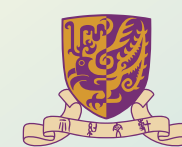
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Application deadline : 28 February 2026



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Faculty of Education
CUHK 中大教育

MASTER OF ARTS DEGREE
PROGRAMME IN

TEACHING ENGLISH TO
SPEAKERS OF OTHER
LANGUAGES

APPLICATION FOR
2026-27
ENTRY

PROGRAMME OBJECTIVES

The Master of Arts in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) programme aims to provide students with a solid grounding in state-of-the-art research, theories and practice in TESOL, with a view to meeting the professional development needs of English language teachers and other TESOL professionals in a range of educational contexts in Asia and beyond.

Specifically, the programme equips students with knowledge of key concepts and principles in TESOL research and practice, develops their ability to reflect on the theory-practice nexus, enables them to analyse, explore and critique salient issues in TESOL through independent inquiry, and empowers them to take charge of their continuing professional development in TESOL.

PROGRAMME REQUIREMENTS

Study Scheme

1. Students are required to complete a total of 24 units for graduation.

(i)	Required Courses	12 units
	- TESL6501 TESOL Curriculum and Methodology - TESL6502 Second Language Acquisition - TESL6503 Second Language Assessment - TESL6504 Research Methods in TESOL	
(ii)	Elective Courses (Note 1)	6-12 units
	- ENLT6701 Phonetics and Phonology for English Language Teaching - ENLT6702 Morphology and Syntax for English Language Teaching - ENLT6703 Spoken and Written Discourse for English Language Teaching - ENLT6704 Psychological and Social Perspectives on Language - ENLT6705 Literature in English - ENLT6802 Contemporary English Language Teaching Issues - ENLT6803 Reading and Writing - Teaching and Learning - ENLT6804 Listening and Speaking - Teaching and Learning - ENLT6805 Information and Communication Technology in English Language Teaching	
(iii)	Project	0-6 units
	TESL6600 Independent Research Project	
		24 units

Note 1: Students can choose to complete either 4 elective courses or 2 elective courses and 1 project.

2. Other Requirements

- Students must achieve a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.0 in order to fulfill the graduation requirement.
- Students must fulfil the term assessment requirement of the Graduate School. A student who obtains a cumulative GPA below 2.0 in the preceding term will be put on academic probation. For details, please refer to Clause 13.0 “Unsatisfactory performance and discontinuation of studies” of the general regulations governing postgraduate studies, which can be accessed from the Graduate School homepage: <https://www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/>

GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS FOR ADMISSION

Applicants should fulfil the following requirements for admission:

1. Hold the following degree or academic qualification:
- graduated from a recognized university and obtained a bachelor’s degree in English or a related field (such as linguistics, literature and translation), normally with honours not lower than Second Class or achieving an average grade of not lower than “B”; or
 - completed a course of study in a tertiary educational institution and obtained professional or similar qualifications equivalent to a bachelor’s degree.

2. Pass an entrance examination or interview conducted by the Graduate Division of Education, where required; and

3. Fulfil the English language requirements for admission:
- Applicants with a relevant degree from a university in Hong Kong should fulfil the “English Language Requirements for Admission” as stipulated by the Graduate School.
- Applicants with a relevant degree from a university outside Hong Kong should meet one of the following requirements:
- A minimum overall score of 7.0 in IELTS with the writing score not lower than 7.0; OR
 - A minimum score of 94 in TOEFL (Internet-based) with the writing score not lower than 27.

Remarks:

TOEFL and IELTS scores are considered valid for two years from the test date. GMAT scores are considered valid for five years from the test date.