



## **Online ESOL Post Baccalaureate Certificate Program for Maryland Educators**

The University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC) offers a twelve-credit post baccalaureate certificate (PBC) in ESOL designed to provide experienced educators with knowledge and skills to work with students whose first language is not English. Maryland public school teachers, paraeducators, and administrators are eligible to apply. Participants in our Online ESOL PBC Program for Maryland Educators receive reduced tuition and fees for the program. All four courses are offered completely online.

### **Courses**

- The Grammar of American English for ESOL Teachers
- Cross-cultural Communication for ESOL Teachers
- Methodology of Teaching English as a Second or Foreign Language
- Theories of Language Learning in the ESOL Classroom

### **Program Schedule**

Participants typically take one course at a time. Fall courses run from late August to mid-December; spring courses run from late January to mid-May; summer courses run from late May to mid-December.

### **Admission Requirements**

- Undergraduate degree with a GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Recommendation from your principal
- Statement of purpose

Applications are due August 1 for a fall start, January 1 for a spring start, and May 1 for a summer start. Late applications are considered if there is space available.

### **Certification and Endorsements**

Certified teachers may add an ESOL endorsement to their Maryland teaching license by either passing the ESOL Praxis or completing 30 credits of TESOL coursework. Our certificate courses are excellent preparation for the ESOL Praxis. Alternatively, the courses can count toward the 30 credits.

Those interested in initial P-12 certification are encouraged to consider our MA TESOL w/certification. The four PBC courses will transfer into the MA program.

### **Costs**

Tuition for the 2019-20 academic year is \$527.20/credit (a 20% discount). Other costs include a \$50 application fee, \$200 matriculation fee, \$15/credit technology fee, \$35 certificate diploma fee, and textbooks purchase or rental.

### **For more information, please contact**

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