TEACHING COLLEGE-LEVEL WRITING CERTIFICATE

The Certificate in Teaching College-Level Writing offers high school and college composition teachers new approaches to the teaching of writing and theories of rhetoric, literacy, and composition. The program includes practicums in teaching college-level writing and optional practicums in ESL, teaching literature and creative writing, as well as in secondary teaching.

Grading Requirement

All courses taken to fulfill program course requirements must be taken for a letter grade except those courses specified by the department as credit/no credit grading only.

A grade-point average of 3.0 must be earned for courses required for the certificate program. A grade of B- or higher must be earned in each course in the certificate program before the certificate is awarded.

Course Requirements for the Certificate

The following courses, or their approved transfer equivalents, are required of all candidates for this certificate. A maximum of three units of transfer credit may be allowed in the certificate program.

Students accepted into the MA in English or MA in language teaching may also complete the certificate if they so desire. In this case, courses counted toward the MA may also be counted toward the certificate. Master's degree students must complete nine units of 600-level courses in the certificate.

Course	Title	Units
Foundation		
ENGL 431	Theory and Practice in Tutoring Composition	4
ENGL 634	Teaching Composition	3
Rhetoric, Composition, and Literacy		
Select one of the following: 3		
ENGL 632	Theories of Literacy	
ENGL 635	Topics in Rhetorical Theory and History	
ENGL 636	Composition Program Design and Development	
ENGL 637	Rhetoric for Writing Teachers	
Elective		
Select one of the following or one of the courses in Rhetoric, Composition, and Literacy: 1		
ENGL 467	Teaching Multicultural Literature	
ENGL 520	Graduate Poetry Workshop	
ENGL 521	Seminar in Fiction and Nonfiction Writing	
ENGL 534W	Literature, Language, and Composition: A Synthesis (W)	
EDSL 610	Second/Foreign Language Teaching Methodolog for Beginning Learners	ly
ENGL 661	Literary Criticism and Theory	
ENGL 689T	Internship in Teaching College English	
Total Units 13-14		

¹ Master's degree students must take a 600-level course.

Admission

There are no course prerequisites for admission to this certificate program, and the GRE is not required. Applicants for admission must, however, meet all relevant University and departmental standards, policies, and procedures, including an acceptable bachelor's degree from an accredited institution and an application on file with the Office of Graduate Studies.