

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, linguistics, and composition. The program includes practicums in teaching college-level basic writing, and optional practicums in ESL, literary editing, and 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. At 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 3 units of transfer credit may be allowed in the certificate program.

Students accepted into the MA program in English or 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. Teachers who have completed ENGL 530 for six units may substitute these units for ENGL 431 in the core and one additional elective course.

| Course | Title | Units |
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| ENGL 431 | Theory and Practice in Tutoring Composition | 4 |
| ENGL 632 | Theories of Literacy | 3 |
| ENGL 634 | Teaching Composition | 3 |
| ENGL 636 | Composition Program Design and Development | 3 |
| ENGL 637 | Rhetoric for Writing Teachers | 3 |
| Select one of the following: | | 3 |
| ENGL 470 | Theory and Practice of Second Language Acquisition | |
| EDSL 610 | Second/Foreign Language Teaching Methodology for Beginning Learners | |
| ENGL 689T | Internship in Teaching College English | |
| Select one of the following: | | 3-4 |
| ENGL 415 | Editing Literary Magazines | |
| ENGL 420 | Advanced Poetry Writing | |
| ENGL 421 | Advanced Fiction and Nonfiction Writing | |
| ENGL 478 | Approaches to Reading | |
| ENGL 635 | Topics in Rhetorical Theory and History | |
| Total Units | | 22-23 |

Prerequisites

1. An acceptable bachelor degree from an accredited institution.
2. Admission to the Graduate School