

LITERACY ASSISTANCE CENTER ACADEMY
Teaching English as a
Second Language to Adults



▶ **TESLA Certificate Program**



Literacy Assistance Center

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The Literacy Assistance Center Academy of New York City is proud to announce that we are now taking applications for our summer intensive and year-long 2011-2012 Certificate Program in Teaching English as a Second Language to Adults (TESLA).

This is a rigorous program that provides adult educators a firm foundation in current theory and best practice in the fields of Applied Linguistics and Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL).

The LAC TESLA Certificate serves as an initial qualification for:

- n Anyone considering a career in Teaching English to Adult Speakers of Other Languages
- n Anyone who has already been teaching adult literacy ESOL without formal training or qualifications
- n Anyone who wishes to develop an additional specialization in teaching ESOL
- n Anyone interested in preparing to teach English Overseas

“I came to the TESLA course at the LAC with a background totally unrelated to teaching or to ESL. I had been a practicing corporate lawyer for many years. Not only have I learned much more than I ever dreamed I had to in this program, but I have enjoyed the entire process. For me, a great experience. The format of blending an internet component with the class room, spread out over several months, makes the process very digestible for an adult with an otherwise busy life.”

Roger Kissam, Retired Corporate Attorney now teaching ESL to adults in Argentina and New York City





Date and Time Schedule 2011-2012

TESLA Winter 2012 Intensive

Class Dates: January 7, 2012 – January 20, 2012
 Teaching Practicum Dates:
 March 2012 – June 2012
 Application Deadline: December 16, 2011

TESLA Spring 2012 Semester Evening

Class Dates: February 15, 2012 – May 23, 2012
 Teaching Practicum Dates:
 June 2012 – August 2012
 Application Deadline: January 20, 2012

TESLA Summer 2012 Intensive

Class Dates: July 9, 2012 – July 20, 2012
 Teaching Practicum Dates:
 September 13, 2012 – December 21, 2012
 Application Deadline: June 15, 2012

In all of these programs, participants attend 40 hours of on-site classes and accumulate an additional 120-150 hours of study and reflection as part of an online community of practice. A 32-48 hour teacher practicum is also completed to qualify for this certificate. Earns up to 20 CEU's.

Tuition and Fees

Tuition: \$1350

Application and Processing Fee:

\$150.00 (\$100 refundable if not accepted into the program)

To Apply: An application is required to be admitted to this program. To apply go to <http://lacnyc.org/profdev/Academy>

Open House: Learn more about our certificate programs at our monthly Open Houses.

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TESLA Certificate Topics

- I. Introduction and Orientation to Moodle
- II. Introduction to TESLA: The Theory, the Learner, the Context, & the Field
- III. Methods & Materials of Communicative Language Teaching
- IV. Strategies-Based Instruction for Teaching Second Language Skills
- V. Standards-Based Curriculum Development, Syllabus Design, & Lesson Planning
- VI. Standardized & Formative Assessment in TESLA
- VII. Preparing to Teach
- VIII. Teacher Practicum:

“The LAC TESLA Certificate program has been a tremendous experience! Navigating through the course is easily achieved because of the careful guidance and instruction of the session's leader.”

Roberta Baum, graduate of LAC TESLA, newly hired ESOL teacher at Arab American Family Support Center

Literacy Assistance Center Academy

For almost 30 years, the Literacy Assistance Center (LAC) of New York City has been the principal Professional Development and Education provider for adult educators and adult literacy education programs throughout the five boroughs of New York City. LAC courses for teachers and managers include offerings in GED teaching, family literacy, health Literacy,

workforce development, leadership development, Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages and Adult Basic Education.

Recognized as a national leader in adult education, the LAC Academy offers five certificate-based programs: the Adult Literacy Education Core Curriculum (ALECC), Leadership Development for Emerging Leaders, the Teaching of English as a Second Language to Adults (TESLA), GED Prep and Frerean Popular Education.

All five can make a difference in your career and life by providing you with:

- n Core knowledge
- n Opportunities to share ideas and experiences with peers
- n A chance to try out new strategies and methods and get immediate feedback
- n A valuable credential from a reputable leader in adult education

For more information about the **Literacy Assistance Center**, please visit our website at www.lacnyc.org or call us at **212-803-3351**.

Come visit us in New York City.



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