

POSGRADOS ITESO

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PG CERT IN TESOL POSTGRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN TEACHING ENGLISH TO SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES UNIVERSITY OF ST MARK & ST JOHN, PLYMOUTH, UK

The PG Cert in TESOL

is a part-time postgraduate programme for teachers of English. It uses a blended learning approach: face-to-face teaching by lecturers from the University of St Mark & St John, supported by extensive on-line materials, activities and forums. It is aimed at enhancing participants' understanding of and skills in teaching and learning, and their capacity to undertake research in their own professional context.

The PG Cert is particularly suited to those wanting to undertake masters-level study to build on their existing skills and knowledge bases, but who do not wish at this stage to complete a full masters programme. The PG Cert is a free-standing qualification, worth 60 credits (a full masters is 180 credits).

Entrance profile

To sign up for the PG Cert in TESOL, you need:

- A first degree (Bachelors) or equivalent
- Entry level training in or experience of TESOL
- English proficiency level of IELTS 6.5 (Writing 6.0) or equivalent
- Two references, normally from study and current work contexts

Reasons to study this PG Cert at ITESO

- You receive a Postgraduate Certificate worth 60 UK credits, from a UK university*.
- The teaching block allows you to study part-time while continuing full-time work.
- Students will be able to see immediate relevance for taught course content and have a real context in which to research English language learning and teaching.
- Students on the programme are registered members of the University Learning Space (virtual learning platform) and have full access to the electronic journals and books in the University library as well as access to ITESO's library.

*On completion of the Postgraduate Certificate, it is possible to progress to a full masters qualification with further study (distance learning) with the University of St Mark & St John.

The University of St Mark & St John has a long and distinguished tradition of teaching students from different cultures and countries across the world, going back to the 1840s. The University Centre for International Language Teacher Education (CILTE) specialises in the delivery of high-quality training and services related to English language teacher education internationally. In 2010, it was named by the *EL Gazette* as the top University Centre of Excellence (based on the British Council Inspectors' publishable statements). It has offered a wide range of postgraduate programmes in Mexico since 1992.

ITESO is the Jesuit University of Guadalajara, Mexico. Founded in 1957, it belongs to a network of over 200 Jesuit universities around the world, sharing with them a 450-year-old educational tradition.

The structure of the PG-Cert in TESOL

The face-to-face part of each module takes place at ITESO University in Guadalajara. For Module 1, this will be July 9-16, 2014. The remainder of the module will be conducted at a distance, using the University's virtual learning platform. Module 2 will be taught in ITESO 8-13 January, 2015 and again, the remainder of the module will be taught at distance.

Module 1 English Language Learning and Teaching

explores the factors that affect learning, teaching and classroom interaction. It looks at how an understanding of language learning processes, of the roles of teachers and learners, of syllabus, test and task design, inform curriculum planning decisions.

Module 2 Research Methods for TESOL

provides an introduction to research in the TESOL/Applied Linguistics field: its purposes, frameworks and ethical dimensions. There is a strong practical focus to this module; as well as developing their understanding of different research traditions, students will also develop skills in critically evaluating research reports, identifying research opportunities, formulating research questions, designing data gathering and analysis procedures, and presenting findings.

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