



Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) in Curriculum and Instruction with an area of expertise in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)

The Master of Teaching (MAT) degree in Curriculum and Instruction with an area of expertise in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) prepares students for teaching English to non-native English speakers both domestically and internationally in elementary schools, middle schools, high schools, community colleges, universities, community organizations, and private language schools. Within these varied settings, MAT in TESOL graduates teach English as a Second Language (ESL), English to Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL), English as a Foreign Language (EFL), and English for Special Purposes (ESP). In addition, the program prepares graduates to assume educational leadership and teacher training roles in a variety of educational settings.

Note: The courses in this degree plan are taught using a hybrid of face-to-face and online instruction. Program participants with an existing Texas Educator Certification are eligible to earn ESL Supplemental Texas Educator Certification.

COURSE	DESCRIPTION	SEMESTER
MAT 6310	Reading in a Multicultural Classroom	Fall 1
ETC 5301	Technology Application for Curriculum Development	Fall 1 or Summer 1
MAT 6319	Teaching the Language Minority Student	Spring 1
MAT 6311	Advanced Study of Child Development and Diversity	Spring 1
ESL 5334	Foundation of ESL Education	Summer 1
MAT 5317	Reading Curriculum, Methods, Assessment and Diagnosis of Special Population	Summer 1
MAT 6315	Introduction to Educational Research	Summer 1
MAT 6316	Advanced Methods for the Culturally Diverse Classroom	Summer 1
ESL 5333	Instructional/Assessment & the Acquisition of Language Concept	Fall 2
MAT 6317	Classroom Based Research (Preq. MAT 6315)	Fall 2
MAT 6380	Practicum for Urban Teaching	Spring 2
MAT 6390	Directed Study in Urban Education (Taken in the last semester)	Summer 2

Please note course prerequisites and course offerings. Also, some courses are offered only once a year. The above recommended course sequence is based on the course rotation (plans to offer courses).

Semester 1-taken in the first year

Semester 2-taken in the second year

The MAT degree program requires completion of a minimum of 36 semester credit hours. For degree completion, at least 30 hours must be completed at UH-Downtown with a grade point average of 3.0. In addition, students must successfully complete a directed studies project (MAT 6390) with approval of the MAT in TESOL mentor and under the supervision of an appointed faculty advisor. This master's degree does not include initial Texas Teacher Certification.

Scholarship Assistance

All UHD MAT students are encouraged to apply for the Gordon and Mary Cain Graduate Academic Merit Scholarship. This scholarship will pay for half the price of UHD MAT tuition/fees. Students can earn this scholarship more than once during the course of their MAT program. Application: https://www.uhd.edu/academics/public-service/urban-education/Pages/gordon_mary_cain_graduate_scholarship_application.aspx

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