

## Teacher Training

### TECSOL Course

*(Teaching English to Child Speakers of Other Languages)*

The Dominion TECSOL Course prepares non-native speakers to teach English to children from 3 – 12 years of age.

- 30 hours per week in class
- Class size: maximum 12 students per class
- Course length: 4 weeks
- Course starts: refer to timetable on fees sheet or website below
- Fee includes: 4 weeks intensive training, assessed practice teaching, a 3 day practicum at a local primary school or kindergarten.
- Entry requirement: pass the Dominion TECSOL entry test or IELTS level 5.

### Course Contents

- **Language teaching methodology.** Focus on teaching techniques to develop learners' language and skills.
- **Child psychology & language development.** Study children's developmental needs and learning styles.
- **Peer teaching practice.** Practise teaching techniques in the group with feedback from your tutor.
- **Teacher observation.** Watch experienced teachers in action at a local primary school or kindergarten.
- **Language development.** Learn how to analyse and describe English text. Improve your own language skills.
- **Phonics.** Improve your pronunciation and learn to teach children how to speak.
- **Materials and activities for teaching children.** Analyse available teaching resources and how to use them.

### Sample timetable

|             | Mon                             | Tue                          | Wed                        | Thu                 | Fri                                      |
|-------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|--|
| 09:00-10:30 | Orientation Course Requirements | Child Psychology             | Language Development       | Lessons for Kindy   | Supervised lesson preparation            |
| Break       |                                 |                              |                            |                     |  |
| 10:40-12:10 | Teaching Materials and Media    | Language Development         | Assessment                 | Classroom English   | Individual lesson preparation with tutor |
| Break       |                                 |                              |                            |                     |  |
| 12:40-14:10 | Teaching Using Storybooks       | Teaching through Activities  | Teaching Methods for Kindy | Phonics             | Individual lesson preparation with tutor |
| Break       |                                 |                              |                            |                     |  |
| 14:20-15:50 | Phonics 1                       | English Teaching Methodology | Phonics 2                  | Lessons for Kindy 2 | Supervised lesson preparation            |
| Break       |                                 |                              |                            |                     |  |
| 16:00-17:00 | Supervised self-study           |                              |                            |                     |  |