



BridgeTEFL®

Teach English as a Foreign Language



TEFL/TESOL Certification
Teach Abroad
Professional Development

About BridgeTEFL

BridgeTEFL is a division of Bridge, an established world leader in the language-training field. With over 25 years of experience, Bridge delivers quality language instruction and teacher training to thousands of individuals across the globe.

Our teacher-training division, **BridgeTEFL**, offers a wide range of certification courses, professional development opportunities and teacher resources to address the many needs of EFL/ESL instructors worldwide. With over two decades running our own English language instruction centers, we are well-versed in the specific needs of ESL teachers. Our expertise allows us to provide the support and training necessary for teachers to feel prepared and confident in the classroom, enabling students to learn most effectively.

Bridge's Mission:
To transform lives and organizations by delivering excellence in language, education and travel.





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English Language Teaching

As more and more people are learning English in order to be successful in today's increasingly globalized world, more English training programs have emerged. Quality providers understand that teachers must not only be proficient in English, but also in classroom management, assessment, theory and practical application of theory, such as best practice methodologies and approaches in EFL/ESL education.



Why BridgeTEFL?

■ Excellence

We are committed to providing excellence in all of our products and services. All of us at BridgeTEFL strive to live up to our company's core values: excellence, integrity, learning, innovation, and respect.

■ Experts

BridgeTEFL knows that the quality of its courses is only as good as the people running them; we hire only the most qualified and dedicated trainers in the EFL/ESL field.

■ Experience

For over 25 years, we have been providing the highest quality language training all over the world.

Our staff, programs, facilities and network of global contacts are top-notch because language training is our business—and has been for over two decades.

■ Innovation

We remain a leader at the forefront of the ELT field because we continually invest in the research and development of new courses, products and services to meet the unique needs of each of our customers.

■ Recognition

BridgeTEFL's certifications are recognized worldwide and have helped thousands of teachers get

the best teaching jobs on nearly every continent.

■ Accreditation

Bridge is accredited and/or has its courses approved by a number of organizations including ACCET (Accrediting Council for Continuing Education and Training) and PONSI (National Program on Noncollegiate Sponsored Instruction).



Certification Programs

BridgeTEFL offers a wide array of courses to meet the needs of professional and aspiring teachers alike. The variety of course structure and delivery formats not only makes our courses accessible for any schedule or budget, but also provides for the diverse needs of different teachers.



IDELT™ International Diploma in English Language Teaching

The IDELT is the highest qualification that BridgeTEFL offers. Exceeding the 100-hour international benchmark, the IDELT provides teachers with the perfect balance of theory and practice. It is conducted entirely in the classroom by a BridgeTEFL approved trainer and has been recommended for six graduate-level credits at over 1,500 universities in the USA.

Course at a Glance

Duration	: 140 hours, Full- or Part-Time
Level	: Graduate
Delivery of Instruction	: Face-to-Face; Traditional Classroom
Type of Learning	: Synchronous
Practicum	: Yes
Audience	: Native & Non-Native Speaking Teachers of English

Course Components

- Interactive Input Sessions
- Teaching Practice with Real English Language Learners
- Directed Observation and Evaluation of Peer Teachers
- Feedback Sessions
- Guided Lesson Planning
- Observation of Expert Teachers
- Individual Advising Sessions
- Written Assignments
- Final Portfolio and E-Portfolio

Content Areas

Learners, Teachers and the Teaching Context

- The Role of the Teacher and the Learner
- Second-Language Acquisition
- Cultural Sensitivity
- Mono-lingual vs. Multi-lingual classes

Language Analysis and Awareness

- Grammar
- Lexis

- Function
- Pronunciation

The Language Skills and Teaching Strategies

- Teaching the Receptive Skills
- Teaching the Productive Skills
- Methodologies and Approaches
- Checking Comprehension

Planning and Preparation

- Lesson Planning
- Authentic and Graded Materials
- Developing Your Own Materials
- Teacher Resources

Classroom Skills and Professionalism

- Classroom Management
- Error Correction
- Assessment
- Professional Development

Who Should Take the IDELT?

- Teachers or students who may pursue a Master's degree in TESOL in the future.
- K-12 teachers worldwide looking for further professional development or who want to get up to date on the best practices in TESOL.
- Non-native speaking teachers of English who do not hold a TEFL certification.
- Native English speakers who would like to teach English abroad.

"I have taught for nine years in Chile. I have taught at institutes, high-schools and universities. This course offers very valuable insight into effective teaching practices and techniques. The knowledge I gained in this course will be practical and immediately useful in real-world classroom settings. I made the decision [to take the IDELT] based on the combination this course offers of Chilean university credit and an internationally recognized TEFL certification."

Thomas Baker, EFL Teacher, Santiago de Chile.



BCELT™ Bridge Certificate in English Language Teaching

The BCELT is our distance learning solution for teachers who are not able to attend a traditional in-class course. Meeting the 100-hour international benchmark, the BCELT provides teachers with online delivery of content covering the latest developments in the ELT field, accompanied by interactive activities and discussion with other members of your class. The online content may be complemented by lectures and workshops delivered either in the form of a webinar or, in some cases, in person by one of our expert trainers.

Course at a Glance

Duration	: 100 hours over 12 weeks
Level	: Undergraduate
Delivery of Instruction	: Online; Web Conference; In-Class
Type of Learning	: Synchronous
Practicum	: Optional
Audience	: Native & Non-Native Speaking Teachers of English

Course Components

- Reading Assignments and Quizzes
- Discussion and Analysis of Topics
- Observation via Video
- Group Project
- Final Paper

Course Content

Unit 1

- World English and the World's English Learners
- Describing Language with Systems

Unit 2

- Language Acquisition: How Do We Learn?
- Methodology: Balance and Structure

Unit 3

- English Language Learners
- The Role of the Teacher

Unit 4

- The Impact of the Learning Environment
- Providing Effective Feedback

Unit 5

- Class Management
- Flexible Grouping and Language Success

Unit 6

- Technology Aiding English Teaching
- Approaching New Structures

Unit 7

- Teaching the Structure of English
- Teaching the Lexis of English

Unit 8

- Teaching the Phonology of English
- The Integration of Language Skills

Unit 9

- Teaching Reading
- Teaching Listening

Unit 10

- Teaching Writing
- Teaching Speaking

Unit 11

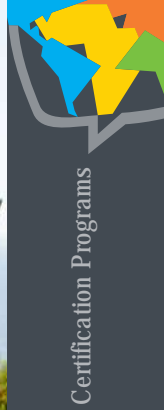
- Lesson Planning
- Testing and Evaluation

Unit 12

- Encouraging Independent Learning
- Professional Development

Who Should Take the BCELT?

- Anyone who lives in an area where the IDELT is not offered.
- Working teachers who can only study part-time.
- Non-native speaking teachers of English who do not hold a TEFL certification.
- Native English speakers who would like to teach English abroad.



TEFLOnline.com

TEFLOnline.com is our most flexible solution for TEFL training. Offering four different certification programs, TEFLOnline.com lets trainees decide where and when to get trained. Delivered completely online using BridgeTEFL's custom Learning Management System, TEFLOnline.com enables trainees to earn their certification at their own pace. Guided through the courses by professional tutors, our graduates feel confident and prepared to enter the EFL classroom.

Course at a Glance

Duration	: 40 - 120 hours
Level	: Undergraduate
Delivery of Instruction	: Online
Type of Learning	: Asynchronous
Practicum	: No
Audience	: Native & Non-Native Speaking Teachers of English

Course Components

- Readings
- Self-Check Quizzes
- Written Assignments
- Video Tutorials

Course Content

- The Roles of the Teacher and Learner, Approaches and Methods
- Classroom Management

- Language Awareness
- Planning Lessons
- Productive Skills
- Receptive Skills
- Teaching Grammar
- Vocabulary, Meaning and Context
- Pronunciation
- Audio/Visual Aids
- Testing
- Culture

Who Should Take TEFLOnline.com?

- People who need a lot of flexibility in their training schedule.
- Non-native speaking teachers of English who do not hold a TEFL certification.
- Native English speakers who would like to teach English abroad.

Even though I have a B.A. in Education, [TEFLOnline.com] helped me to see where I can improve as a teacher. I have brought many aspects of what I was taught during this course into my current teaching position. I have shared ideas and words of advice with fellow colleagues. I have become a better teacher.

Erin Burney, EFL Teacher in the Philippines

Teacher Resources

With an array of teacher resources, BridgeTEFL gives instructors worldwide the support they need for teaching English language learners. We are continually developing new resources that are effective, easily accessible and easy to use.



GrammarAdvisor

GrammarAdvisor.com, in addition to being a comprehensive grammar course, is also a personal grammar resource. Answers can be found by searching the knowledge base or by asking our in-house grammar experts. Responses are sent promptly and are complete and easy to understand. Our grammar experts are also available to give advice on how to teach tricky issues in a fun and effective way.

Why Grammar Advisor?

■ It's complete

Everything you need to know about grammar is addressed and, moreover, it's specifically aimed at the grammar needed for ESL/EFL learners.

■ It's interactive and fun

We know that grammar can be tedious and technical, but we've done our best to break it down into manageable pieces and keep it interesting. Our talking animated characters, Grammar Pro and Miss Takes, take teachers through the course with chapter overviews and helpful tips. Quizzes, dynamic glossaries and interactive tools keep the course lively.

■ It's powered by real people

Our own staff of professional Grammar Advisors is behind the scenes, monitoring the knowledge base and answering grammar-related questions.

■ It's a resume-booster

Upon completing the course, teachers can opt to take the final exam and get a Certificate in English Grammar.

■ It's created by the experts

With over 25 years of experience training students and teachers, we know exactly what students will ask and what teachers will need in the EFL/ESL classroom.

"If you're in the least bit shaky or flaky with your English language grammar, then you would do well to check out Grammar Advisor. Not only is the site interactive, but has voice and sound as well so you get to hear spoken versions of grammar in context in addition to reading and grammar lessons."

Larry M. Lynch, Professor at the Universidad Santiago de Cali in Colombia and author of the website *Becoming a Better EFL Teacher*.



TEFLVideos.com



This online library of over 100 how-to ELT videos is indispensable for teachers looking to keep their lessons fresh, fun and at the same time, effective. They include ideas for classroom activities, suggestions for practicing vocabulary, grammar, pronunciation and the four language skills, and tips on improving your teaching techniques.

What Makes us Different?

- Professionally filmed
- High-quality audio
- Short and focused
- Real English learners
- Organized by category

TEFLVideos.com was created specifically to help teachers improve their teaching skills; each video addresses one specific, common problem that EFL/ESL teachers face on a regular basis.

How it Works

Each video is broken down into three sections.

■ Game Plan

Introduces the topic to be addressed and offers step-by-step instructions on how to implement the idea, activity or suggestion.

■ In Action

Shows the game plan in action during a real English class with real English language learners. This helps teachers to visualize the game plan and envision how it could work in their classes. Pop-ups with helpful

hints appear to call attention to important points to keep in mind.

■ Take it Further

Explains how the activity or idea can be applied to a variety teaching contexts, diverse age groups, different class sizes, etc. This section also gives ideas about other teaching points that could be practiced using this same activity.

TEFLVideos.com also comes in a convenient five-DVD set called **English Language Teaching in Action**.





Games and Activities
 Teaching Superlatives with a Board Game
 Vocabulary Bingo
 Drilling Grammar with Dominoes

Grammar
 Teaching Verb Tenses with Timelines
 Making Promises in the First Conditional
 Teaching Tag Questions

Teaching Techniques
 Do's and Don'ts for Giving Instructions
 Breaking Bad Teaching Habits
 Effective Error Correction Techniques

Writing
 Product Writing: Job Applications
 Teaching Writing with a Running Dictation
 Building a Story to Teach Writing

Speaking
 Teaching with Mingles: Giving Advice
 Conversation Skills: Forecasting the Weather
 Task-Based Learning: Creating a Utopian Society

Reading
 Follow-Up Activities for Reading Lessons
 Using Authentic Materials for a Reading Lesson
 Pre-Teaching Strategies for Newspaper Articles

Listening
 Teaching Listening: Gist and Detail
 Listening Skills
 Teaching with Song

Vocabulary
 Using Realia to Teach Vocabulary
 Building Vocabulary with Word Formation
 Teaching Opposites with a Memory Game

Pronunciation
 Teaching Pronunciation: Word Stress
 Practicing Vowel to Vowel Linking
 Using Poems to Teach Sentence Stress



"Compared to other ways of improving teaching, [TEFLVideos] are easy to access, as they are online. They are also seriously planned and displayed, so their purpose cannot be misunderstood, and they guarantee quality. They cover all the skills and needs of an EFL class. Putting some of those ideas into practice will improve both the quality of your teaching process and your students' success in the learning experience."

Assumpta Biosca Taronger is an experienced EFL teacher and currently a PhD candidate in the Information & Technology Applied Linguistics program of the Universidad Politécnica de Valencia.

Teach Abroad, Job Placement & Recruitment

There are thousands of native English speakers worldwide who want to teach abroad. There are thousands of English language centers worldwide looking to hire native English-speaking teachers. Who better to make the connection between the two than BridgeTEFL?

Our name is appropriate, as we truly act as a bridge between employers and teachers. With a long and established history as leaders in the language training field, we have an extensive network of partner schools, reaching all corners of the globe. And as the largest TEFL provider in the USA, we are in a unique position to match quality teachers with quality schools. Here's what we can do:

■ **For Language Schools We Can:**

- Provide access to the best-trained EFL teachers in the world.
- Improve quality by providing highly-trained teachers.
- Offer staff professional development opportunities.
- Provide staff with some of the most innovative ELT resources available.

■ **For Native Speakers of English We Can:**

- Provide the highest quality teacher-training programs available.
- Offer professional development opportunities.
- Provide innovative and practical teacher resources.
- Serve as the connection to quality employers around the globe.

■ **For Non-Native Speaking Teachers of English We Can:**

- Provide better credentials for job advancement.
- Improve competitiveness in the local market.
- Increase effectiveness as a teacher.
- Facilitate admission to a university in the USA.





Year after year, BridgeTEFL graduates are hired worldwide by the best institutions:



"I had a wonderful experience last summer teaching conversational English in China. Although my assignment was only short term, it was a wonderful opportunity and an experience I will never forget. Thank you again BridgeTEFL." Joe Davis, EFL Teacher in China

"The English Opens Doors Program National Volunteer Center [in Chile] takes very seriously its privileged role as facilitator to ambassadors of the English language. Therefore, EODP-NVC and partner institution, Bridge, must adhere to strict guidelines with regard to the eligibility of each prospective volunteer." Ministry of Education in Chile (MINEDUC).

"As Staff & Program Coordinator at Brooklyn Bridge in Buenos Aires (Argentina), I have had the opportunity to interview, hire and train a great number of certified teachers from BridgeTEFL. We're extremely happy with the level of professionalism, motivation and creativity that Bridge teachers have shown towards teaching English and helping our students become more efficient learners. BridgeTEFL certification is a guarantee of efficient lesson planning, sound grammar knowledge, good resources and the confidence to walk into a classroom and deliver a high quality lesson." Virginia Inés Fernández, Brooklyn Bridge S.A. - Staff & Program Coordinator (Employer in Argentina)

"I have had the pleasure of working with Bridge in placing English teachers in South Korea for the past several years. The candidates that we have placed have gone to teach in numerous different schools in South Korea and I have received positive feedback from many of the employers. The courses offered at Bridge have helped teachers to become prepared to take on the challenges of teaching English as a second language to Korean students." Joanne Kim, Placement Consultant, Dreamworks Recruiting Service (South Korea)

"I would like to thank the team of advisors at BridgeTEFL. Teachers that they have recommended to us to work in our language school in Mexico have been a great selection. The teachers have shown a professional attitude addressing our needs and have been positive people. We are confident that if teachers come from BridgeTEFL's recommendation, they will be a great asset to our organization." Cecilia Belmont, Culturilingua Mexico (Employer)



Partnerships with BridgeTEFL



Authorized Training Centers

The BridgeTEFL Authorized Training Center scheme is designed to benefit educational institutions, universities and language centers who want to offer the IDELT. As a BridgeTEFL Authorized Training Center, an institution can take advantage of an established and proven curriculum, easy-to-use administration manuals and our international marketing and teacher recruitment efforts.

Each ATC must undergo a rigorous approval process, and its trainers must complete BridgeTEFL's Trainer-in-Training Program.

Upon approval, the center must provide specific documentation to our quality-assurance administrator at the completion of each course, to ensure that it is being run to standard.

Why become an ATC?

- Excellent source of revenue for your institution.
- A way to recruit, train and place quality teachers—set your school apart from the rest!
- Acknowledgement of having met BridgeTEFL's rigorous standards of excellence.
- Permission to use the BridgeTEFL Authorized Training Center logo in advertising materials.
- Listing in the BridgeTEFL database as an Authorized Training Center.
- Centralized international marketing and teacher recruitment efforts.
- Certificates issued by BridgeTEFL.
- Possible gateway to admission into master's in TESOL programs in the USA.



BridgeTEFL is proud to be able to partner with other language institutes and universities across the globe. From simply representing our products and services, to becoming a fully authorized training center, educational organizations worldwide work together with BridgeTEFL in a variety of mutually-fulfilling ways.



Joint Certificates

BridgeTEFL has recently developed its latest certification program—the BCELTE. The Bridge Certificate in English Language Teaching is 100% customizable to fit your institution’s needs. Local markets vary greatly, and BridgeTEFL can customize this innovative distance-learning program to tailor to the particular needs of different audiences.

Why the BCELTE?

- Meets international standard of 100-hours.
- Is customizable.
- Can be offered as an online, onsite, or blended course.
- Developed by BridgeTEFL experts.
- Delivered by BridgeTEFL trainers.
- Offers attractive revenue-sharing model.

- Provides joint certificates between BridgeTEFL and your institution

How Does it Work?

After assessing your institution’s specific needs, our curriculum development team creates course content customized to address your particular situation and teaching context. The rest is easy. The content can be easily inserted into our Learning Management System for easy delivery to your students. BridgeTEFL’s expert trainers, all of whom are native English speakers, will conduct the courses online in a virtual learning environment. The course is highly interactive and requires regular participation and input from all trainees. Some of the course features include: debate and discussion in the forums, group

projects, mash-ups, video tutorials and a final paper.

Blended Options

Although the BCELTE can be delivered entirely online, it was also designed to be offered as a “blended” or “hybrid” course. This means that in addition to the online portion of the course, some of the instruction can be delivered face-to-face. In some instances, this may be a live webinar conducted by a BridgeTEFL trainer, or it may be more traditional instruction that takes place in a real classroom. Whichever form the face-to-face instruction is delivered, the students will benefit from the personal interaction they get from professional and experienced teachers.

Professional Development

BridgeTEFL believes that continuous learning is important and key to becoming an effective teacher.

For this reason, BridgeTEFL has and continues to create new opportunities for professional development.

Through specialized courses, workshops and webinars, teachers are able to gain more knowledge in specific areas of ELT, deepening their understanding of the varied needs of different learners. Below are some of the areas that BridgeTEFL addresses in its professional development offerings:

- Business English
- Young Learners
- Grammar
- Content and Language - Integrated Learning (CLIL)
- Second Language Acquisition
- English for Specific Purposes
- E-Learning and E-Teaching
- Volunteer Teaching
- Guided Classroom Observation and Teaching Practice







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Accreditation and Memberships:



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Bridge is a member of IALC, the International Association of Language Centers. Membership is by invitation only and Bridge is proud to have member centers in the USA, Argentina, Brazil and Chile.



The University of the State of New York
 National Program on
 Noncollegiate Sponsored Instruction

Bridge is a member of SUNY's National PONSI, the State University of New York's National Program on Noncollegiate Sponsored Instruction. Over 1,500 cooperating universities in the USA recognize the six graduate-level credit recommendation awarded to the IDELT.

