

Part-time Online TEFL – Virtual Classroom blended course, 120 hours

The Bay Language Institute part-time online TEFL course is a blended course, combining a virtual classroom (with live tutoring and presentations) with intensive self-study, research, observation and teaching practice.

The course requires a minimum of three hours of teacher observation and 6 lessons of practice teaching, to be conducted either at Bay Language or by alternative arrangement approved by Bay Language. Should the latter be the case, verification is required, as are video recordings as specified by your tutor(s).

The course consists of tutoring, input and interaction over 8 weeks, with extensive self-study and research.

Live online tutoring

The following course modules will be covered:

- Module 1** - weeks 1 and 2: Starting out/what TEFL is, classroom activities, classroom management, who the learners are and learner motivation.
- Module 2** - weeks 3 and 4: Language analysis, planning lessons and courses, teaching grammar, teaching lexis and teaching conversation.
- Module 3** – weeks 5 and 6: Productive skills, receptive skills, phonology and focus on language.
- Module 4** - weeks 7 and 8: Teaching different classes/levels, using technology, tools, techniques, activities and next steps (observing lessons, interviews, etc.)

The classroom sessions are presented once per day, five days a week from 17.00 to 18.30 South African Standard Time, Monday to Friday, and occasionally Saturdays. Catching up on the content of missed lessons is the responsibility of the student. Live online lessons will be recorded and stored for a limited period.

Topics taught and discussed during these sessions will be on the detailed course planner which will be sent to registered students once the registration process has been completed.

Self-study, research, observation & practice teaching:

The research and self-study portion of the course is vital to the success of the classroom portion, as much of the research and activity will be presented during the seminar sessions. Properly completed work will lead to better qualification for teaching.

Observation and practice teaching are central to the bli TEFL course. Students will arrange to observe experienced teachers in the classroom, or observe video recordings of in-class and online teaching; the same applies to practice teaching, which needs to be recorded on video to allow for assessment by the course tutors. More detail will be provided when the course starts.

Once the registration process has been completed, students will receive an official letter from Bay Language confirming their status as a registered TEFL student, and requesting schools/educational institutions to allow them to a) observe experienced teachers and b) practice teaching learners enrolled at the school. Video recordings of their practice teaching will be sent to Bay Language Institute, using WhatsApp, WeChat, WeTransfer or Google Drive, and will be used to a) verify that they have taught and b) grade their teaching.

If students are in Port Elizabeth, practice teaching can be arranged with Bay Language Institute, provided that it doesn't clash with existing classes.

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