

TEACHING ENGLISH OVERSEAS

IMPORTANT TERMINOLOGY:

TESOL

Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

TEFL OR EFL

Teaching English as a Foreign Language: Usually used for English learners NOT in an English speaking country.

TESL OR ESL

Teaching English as a Second Language: Used for English learners in an English speaking country.

CLT

Communicative Language Teaching: Most widely used teaching methodology in language teaching - sometimes called the Communicative Method.

MAKING IT A CAREER:

TEACHING K-12

- You have to get a teaching certificate. At MSU, you can inquire about this within the Teacher Education program.
- <http://education.msu.edu/te/>

TEACHING ESL/EFL AT A UNIVERSITY OF COLLEGE (IN THE US OR OVERSEAS)

- MA TESOL is the recommended degree.
- <http://linglang.msu.edu/graduate/about/>

TEACHING A FOREIGN LANGUAGE AT A UNIVERSITY OR COLLEGE

- MA FLT
- <http://maflt.cal.msu.edu/>

FAVORITE RESOURCES:

- A very popular site for teaching ideas, advice, and finding jobs: <http://eslcafe.com/>
- Professional organization with the higher end job postings: <http://www.tesol.org>
- Excellent overview on language teaching pedagogy (more focused on teaching adults a foreign language, but it very much applies to teaching English to teenagers and adults: <http://www.nclrc.org/essentials/>