Essentials of Teaching ESL Grammar

January-March 2023- Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL

Practical instruction on teaching English Grammar to ESL Learners 10-week, 30-hour course—January 24-March 28 (Online Only)

Course Objectives

- Gain a foundational understanding of the English grammar system in areas such as:
 - parts of speech
 - question formation
 - -verb-related concepts, i.e. verb tenses, modals, and passive voice
 - -gerunds vs. infinitives
 - -count vs. non-count nouns
 - -comparatives & superlatives
 - -phrases vs. clauses
- Identify typical problem areas for L2 learners
- Learn how to break down grammar concepts into organized and manageable chunks
- Develop key parts of lesson plans for teaching various grammar concepts
- Locate & evaluate grammar teaching resources

Teaching grammar is extremely challenging given the complexity of the English system. Teachers must first understand grammar before they can explain it to learners. Participants will increase their own knowledge of the English grammar system and also gain the skills necessary to introduce grammatical concepts in clear, uncomplicated ways.

FAQs

What formats is this course available in? This course will be offered only online via Zoom in real time (CT).

Do I need to have taken Reach Out with English in order to register for this course? No, since this course focuses specifically on teaching grammar, there are no prerequisites.

When does the class meet? Tuesdays, January 24-March 28; Morning section—10 a.m.-1 p.m. CST; Evening section—7-10 p.m. CST

How much does the class cost? \$375 for registration e-mailed on or before January 17, \$425 after January 17. \$175 for current WC students & grammar course Past Participants.

What's included in the cost? 30 hours of training, feedback on practical assignments, and flash drive with additional resources. Additional Costs: \$30 for printing & mailing of materials in U.S. (hard copy). [Highly Recommended]

When is payment due? Online payment by secure link due by February 1.

Will I receive a certificate? Certificate awarded upon course completion.

How do I get more information and register? Visit our website for more information; download a registration form. Contact Dianne at Dianne.Dow@wheaton.edu.