Request to Add/Change A Graduate Certificate

Name of Certificate: TESL/TEFL Certificate Date of Request: 3/25/2009

Dept. Making Request: Curriculum & Teaching Implementation Date: Fall 2009

Dept. Responsible for Certificate Coordination (if different than originating unit): N/A

Designated Certificate Coordinator: Robert D. Leier E-Mail: rdl0002@auburn.edu

Credit Hours in Certificate: 12 credit hours

Note: Graduate certificates consist of 9-21 semester hours. A minimum GPA of 3.0 must be maintained on all graded course work in the certificate program.

Courses required for certificate (Indicate course prefix, number, credit hours, title, and course prerequisites if applicable.) To change a certificate, indicate changes in italics and in red.

Students will select 4 courses (12 credit hours) from the following courses listed.

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Elective courses allowed to count toward the certificate (Indicate course prefix, number, credit hours, title, and course prerequisites if applicable.) To change certificate, indicate changes in italics and in red.

none

Certificate Curriculum Model (if appropriate, include model):

Justification:
This graduate certificate would be appropriate for those educators who would like to take graduate level course work in Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL) and Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL). It would be valuable for both non-degree seeking students as well as students seeking a graduate degree in another area of study (e.g., M.A. in Foreign languages and Literature, Ph.D. in English, Ed.S. in Foreign Language Education, and Ph.D. in Language Arts Education or Elementary Education). Those who complete the TESL/TEFL graduate certificate would be prepared for employment teaching ESL in U.S. intensive English language programs, private schools, adult education programs, government, and businesses or teaching EFL in schools, universities, and businesses around the world. Because the certificate can be completed entirely by a distance education format or attending classes on campus during an academic year (2 courses in Fall term, 2 courses in Spring term), it will contribute an additional program to Outreach and increase graduate enrolment in the College of Education. Students who meet graduate admission requirements and are accepted into the M.Ed. program in English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) may count the 12 credit hours of certificate work...
toward fulfilling requirements for the professional certification licensure of the 30 credit hour M.Ed. program in ESOL.

Offering the **TESL/TEFL Certificate** will also address Auburn’s international initiative by encouraging international students to attend Auburn University and preparing domestic Auburn students to teach and work overseas. Individuals with skills and understanding to teach English are in high demand globally, especially in Asian countries and the Middle East. Auburn will be the only university offering such a certificate in the state of Alabama. With over 800 international students already attending Auburn and more than 500 domestic Auburn students studying abroad, the **TESL/TEFL Certificate** will provide access to the world community.

**Additional resources or resource shifting required** (if none, please explain):
None at this time. Existing faculty will cover courses for the certificate. Because demand for the certificate will be high, additional faculty may be needed in the future.
Approvals

Graduate Requests

Department ___________________________ Head ____________________________ Date ____________________________
College/School Curriculum Committee ___________________________ Chair ____________________________ Date ____________________________
College or School ___________________________ Dean ____________________________ Date ____________________________
Graduate Council ___________________________ Chair ____________________________ Date ____________________________
University Curriculum Committee ___________________________ Chair ____________________________ Date ____________________________