



Ministry of Education ESOL INITIATIVE –TESSOL (Teaching English in Schools to Speakers of Other Languages) Tuition Fees Scholarship

University of Auckland (Faculty of Education)

Postgraduate Certificate/Diploma in Teaching Linguistically Diverse Learners (PGCert/Dip TLDL) at the University of Auckland, Faculty of Education, Epsom campus.

This new postgraduate qualification, first introduced in 2021, has the same general aims as the former GradDipTESSOL, which it has replaced. The TESSOL scholarship funds the course fees for **two 30-point core courses** below, plus \$200 towards course-related costs per year (for two years).

1. EDPROF 705 Language Learning Needs
2. EDPROF 722 Language Focused Curriculum

Course details for the University of Auckland

Teachers can graduate with a Postgraduate Certificate in TLDL on completion of the two core courses or continue and complete a further two 30-point elective courses to graduate with a Postgraduate Diploma in TLDL (the scholarship does not cover the electives). Successful applicants need to complete the core courses within two years (one course per year extending over both semesters) for the Certificate. Applicants have up to four years to complete core and elective courses for the Diploma (they may do one or more courses per year).

For further information about these qualifications, please see the links below:

- [University of Auckland brochure](#)
- [Postgraduate Certificate in Teaching Linguistically Diverse Learners \(PGCert TLDL\)](#)
- [Postgraduate Diploma in Teaching Linguistically Diverse Learners \(PGDip TLDL\)](#)

TESSOL scholarship eligibility criteria

The Ministry encourages applications from NZ registered teachers in roles including:

- Subject and class teachers
- Teachers in bilingual and immersion settings
- Specialist ESOL teachers
- Members of the senior leadership team
- SENCO
- Learning support coordinators
- RTLB
- Early childhood educators

Teachers must:

- have at least two years' teaching experience
- be currently teaching new learners of English
- have New Zealand residency and New Zealand teaching registration
- be committed to completing, within two years, at least two core courses of the Postgraduate Certificate in TLDL qualification while employed by your ECE service/school
- commit to study over a WHOLE year when you enrol in each CORE COURSE. Withdrawing from a course is not possible (unless there are exceptional circumstances) and may incur financial penalties
- agree to provide an evaluation on the impact of the training on ECE service/school and classroom practices to the Ministry's ESOL, Migrant and Refugee Education Team at the completion of each course.

Schools and ECE services must:

- agree to fund a **minimum of one teacher release day per semester (i.e., two per year)** to enable teachers to attend workshops or to undertake intensive study
- give the scholarship holders the opportunity to share their learning with colleagues
- contact the Ministry if a teacher moves or withdraws from the course.

The TESSOL scholarship selection committee may also take into account:

- whether your ECE service/school already has teachers with TESSOL qualifications
- the ECE service's/school's demonstrated commitment to ESOL professional development.

Application and Enrolment process

Please complete the online application form by Monday, 6 November 2023 (see the link at the bottom of the page).

Enrolling in the programme

If your scholarship application is successful, you will need to work with the University to:

1. apply for admission to the programme
2. after your admission is approved, enrol in the courses you wish to study.

The University will send information shortly after you are notified of the scholarship award. Please complete the University of Auckland application for admission before **Friday 8th December 2023** for a place in the programme.

First-year study

The welcome for the new Scholarship recipients will be an online event held on

Wednesday 6 December 2023 from 4–6pm (a Zoom link will be sent later). This event will include an introduction to the programme and assistance with admission and enrolment procedures. **You must attend if you are beginning study towards a PGCert/Dip in TLDL.**

The first day of the first course (EDPROF 705) is planned for **Wednesday 21st February 2024**, from 10am to 3pm at City Campus (time and venue to be confirmed). From then on, classes are planned for Tuesdays (Manukau Campus) 4.30–6:30pm **OR** Thursdays 4.30–6:30pm (City Campus). Please note that venues/classes will be confirmed and are subject to sufficient enrolments.

Scholarship payment details

The Ministry of Education will pay for the first course at the beginning of February 2024. The payment will be made directly into your school's bank account. This includes the [tuition fee for one 30-credit course](#) and \$200 towards course-related costs. A similar payment structure will follow in the second year of study.

The teacher is responsible for generating their University of Auckland invoice for the course fees. The teacher must pass the invoice to the ECE service/school and they must pay this invoice by the due date. The ECE service/school will reimburse participating teachers for course-related costs up to **\$200** per year.

The TESSOL scholarship covers:		The TESSOL scholarship does not cover:
What	Who pays and how	What
<p>Core papers and course-related costs:</p> <p>Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ EDPROF 705 ✓ \$200 for course-related costs <p>Year 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ EDPROF 722 ✓ \$200 for course-related costs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Ministry will make a payment for the first core paper and course-related costs into your school account in February 2024. • The teacher is responsible for generating the invoice from the UoA and passing it to the school/ECE service for payment. <p>A similar payment structure will follow in the second year of study.</p>	<p>Elective papers</p> <p>Non-tuition fees</p> <p>International fees</p>