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TESOL Partners with Arizona State University to Offer TESOL Core Certificate Program

Alexandria, VA (19 September 2016) – TESOL International Association has partnered with <u>Arizona State University</u> (ASU) to offer its <u>TESOL Core Certificate Program</u> (TCCP) beginning in January 2017. The program will be offered five times a year, and each cohort will have 30 participants from all over the world who will choose electives in teaching adult or young learners.

Revamped to align with <u>TESOL's Standards for Short-Term TEFL/TESL Certificate Programs</u> and relaunched in January 2016, the TCCP is a 140-hour blended training program that provides a foundation in the theory and practice of English language teaching (ELT) for current or prospective teachers and administrators with little or no formal ELT training.

"TESOL International Association sets and maintains high standards for English language educators worldwide," noted Dianna Lippincott, strategic innovation manager from Global Launch at ASU. "As experienced English as a second language professionals and teacher trainers, we are thrilled to partner with TESOL to reach even more professionals and beginning teachers with the TESOL Core Certificate Program."

Julia Rosen, managing director at Global Launch, agreed. "This partnership between TESOL International Association, the global authority on English Language teaching, and Arizona State University, the largest and most innovative university in the United States, will provide access to top-notch professional training to English teachers around the world," she said. "TESOL International Association and ASU are both committed to providing high quality training for teachers which will ultimately impact students' acquisition of English language, thus enabling them to thrive in the global marketplace."

TESOL's partnership with ASU will expand its reach, enabling the association to offer the TESOL Core Certificate Program to a wider range of English language teaching professionals. Commenting on the newly formed partnership, TESOL International Association Executive Director Rosa Aronson stated, "TESOL is honored to partner on this project with ASU, one of the most innovative and creative institutions of higher education in the country. We look forward to offering this type of quality program that will build the capacity of future TESOL professionals."

For more information about the TESOL Core Certificate Program, please visit www.tesol.org/tccp or contact corecertificate@tesol.org.

About TESOL International Association

Founded 50 years ago in 1966, <u>TESOL International Association</u> is a professional community of educators, researchers, administrators, and students committed to advancing excellence in English language teaching for speakers of other languages worldwide. With more than 13,000 members representing over 150 countries, TESOL fosters the exchange of ideas, research, and peer-to-peer knowledge, and provides expertise, resources, and a powerful voice on issues affecting the profession. Through professional development programs, its international conference, special interest groups, and publications, TESOL engages tens of thousands of professionals to collaborate globally and create a world of opportunity for millions of people of all ages who want to learn English. For more information, please visit www.tesol.org.

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