

IMTE

International
Master of
Teaching
English



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FACULTY OF
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- ✓ **A global advantage for your English teaching career**
- ✓ **High quality, highly practical professional preparation**
- ✓ **Leading-edge strategies for intercultural teachers**



Success as an English teacher in an international setting requires a solid foundation in current approaches to English teaching, and extensive practical experience in a wide range of language learning environments. The Saint Mary's IMTE program combines these foundational and practical dimensions of international English language teacher preparation through an innovative curriculum. This includes dynamic classroom instruction, extensive practicum experience and continuing development of communication skills in English. It is a winning combination that adds up to professional success.

The Saint Mary's IMTE will provide you with a sought-after Masters degree in Teaching English as an International Language, and enable you to apply for professional accreditation at home or abroad. This is a full-time, four semester (16-month) degree program. The final semester consists of an intensive practicum that may be completed in an international setting or in a student's home country.

Key Benefits

- **Saint Mary's University has a long history of international education and intercultural engagement**
- **The Faculty of Education and the Language Centre are longstanding partners in the areas of curriculum and support for teaching and learning**
- **Saint Mary's University played a leadership role in the Canada/China Language and Culture Program for English language teacher development in China**
- **Saint Mary's University benefits from a longstanding collaboration between the Faculty of Education and The Language Centre, providing opportunities for practical classroom experiences**
- **The Faculty of Education has access to TESL resources at the renowned Saint Mary's University Language Centre**
- **The Language Centre has been designated a regional CELTA training centre. The CELTA training program is available to Faculty of Education students**
- **The IMTE Program offers practicum opportunities at the Language Centre, in the broader Halifax community, and internationally**

Program Overview

The International Master of Teaching English program includes 16 months of study divided into four 4-month semesters. Each semester is comprised of three parallel streams of study.

	Theoretical Foundations in Teaching	Practicum Experience	English Language and Culture
Semester 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Language Acquisition • Technologies in Teaching English • Language Awareness for Teaching 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classroom Observation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflective Practice in Learning English Language and Culture • Professional Language Portfolio Development
Semester 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Issues in English Language Education • Language Awareness (cont.) • Methods for Language Learning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Field Studies 	
Semester 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course Design • Testing and Assessment • Elective 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classroom Practice in English Teaching (Practicum Placement*) 	
Semester 4		<p>*An international practicum may be available at additional cost</p>	

Program Delivery

This program will be cohort-based and delivered in part in an experiential learning format. Students will benefit from micro-teaching in classes, analysis of teaching materials and creation of their own teaching materials.

Admission Requirements

The minimum requirements for entry into the program are:

- An undergraduate degree from an accredited or recognized institution. Although a degree related to the field of language studies, especially English language studies, is preferred, the IMTE admissions committee will be assessing each application and its related degree(s) on an individual basis.
- Documented English teaching experience, or its equivalent

OR

CELTA or TESL Diploma, or, in the estimation of the admissions committee, its equivalent.

- A demonstrated interest in pursuing a career as a teacher in the field (e.g. through the required letter of intent, through education, through evidence provided by the required CV and/or other documents accompanying the application, etc.)
- Non-native speaking applicants—the target cohort for this program—must submit an English language proficiency test result (TOEFL; IELTS; CAEL; CanTEST; Cambridge First Certificate in English) in compliance with Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research regulations, namely, an overall IELTS score of 6.5, with no individual component score below 6.0. The acceptable scores in other test formats are readily available as equivalent pairings with the IELTS score gradient.



Tuition Fees

**Total fees for four semesters:
CAD\$20,000.**

International practicum, optional:
additional fees may apply

Application Deadline: April 1

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Saint Mary's University: Tradition and Excellence

Founded in 1802, Saint Mary's University is one of the oldest degree-granting institutions in Canada. It is also known as one of Canada's most international universities.

The campus is located on a single beautiful city block, where you will quickly feel at home.

Established in 1957, the Faculty of Education is interdisciplinary in scope and intercultural in outlook. It was a pioneer in China engagement, and has a 25-year track record of excellence in preparing teachers for careers in teaching English as an international language.

Class sizes are a maximum of 20, so professors will get to know you, and you will form meaningful connections with other students. We care about your academic performance and your future. This kind of personal support gives you a winning advantage.



Canada by the Numbers

Best reputation: #1 in the world by the Reputation Institute on their 2015 Country RepTrak® Survey.

Happy and sustainable: #5 on the World Happiness Report 2015 issues by the Sustainable Development Solutions Network.

Friendly People: Condé Nast ranked Halifax among the 15 most friendly cities in the world

Socially progressive: #6 in the world in the annual social progress index prepared by Harvard's Michael Porter.

Safe and secure: #7 on the Global Peace Index issued by the Institute for Economics & Peace.

Centre of Atlantic Canada

Saint Mary's University is located in Halifax, the major port city on Canada's Atlantic coast. It is the capital city of Nova Scotia, one of the four provinces of Atlantic Canada, and the economic and cultural centre of the region.

Halifax is a historic city in a beautiful natural setting. Here you can explore some of the oldest settlements in North America, visit fortresses and lighthouses, and be inspired by the distinctive maritime architecture.

Enjoy breathtaking views of the ocean, and endless opportunities for outdoor adventure. You will be amazed by the vast forests, clear lakes, deep blue skies, and rugged coastline that is unique to Nova Scotia.