

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

### Waikato Institute of Technology (Wintec)

#### Graduate Diploma in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (Grad Dip TESOL) at the Waikato Institute of Technology (Wintec).

The Ministry of Education scholarship will fund each teacher for five of the seven modules that comprise the **Grad Dip TESOL** plus \$200 per annum (for two years) towards course-related costs.

#### Course details for Wintec

The Grad Dip TESOL programme consists of seven modules, the first five of which will be funded through the scholarship. On completion of these five modules, you will gain the Grad Cert TESOL, which is a Level 7 exit qualification from the Grad Dip TESOL.

#### The two modules for the first year are:

- Semester 1 – ESTE604B Learners and Language Learning Processes (15 credits)
- Semester 2 – ESTE601 Language Learning Experience (5 credits) and ESTE602 Language Learning Reflections (10 credits), which must be taken concurrently.

Classes in the first year will be held on Thursdays (first semester) and Tuesdays (second semester) from **4.15–7.15 pm** at the Waikato Institute of Technology city campus. The first class of the year will be **Thursday 25 February 2021**.

#### For further information about the qualification, please see the link below:

- [https://www.wintec.ac.nz/study-at-wintec/courses/education/graduate-diploma-in-teaching-english-to-speakers-of-other-languages-\(level-7\)](https://www.wintec.ac.nz/study-at-wintec/courses/education/graduate-diploma-in-teaching-english-to-speakers-of-other-languages-(level-7))

#### TESSOL scholarship eligibility criteria

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

- Subject and class teachers
- Bilingual teachers
- 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 the Ministry funded papers of the qualification
- agree to provide an evaluation on the impact of the training on ECE service/school and classroom practices to the Ministry's National Migrant, Refugee and International ESOL 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 Sunday, 1 November 2020.**

### **Enrolling on the Wintec course**

If your application for the TESSOL scholarship is successful, you will need to enroll on the **Wintec Grad Cert TESOL** using this link: <https://www.wintec.ac.nz/>

If you would prefer to receive a hard copy enrolment form, or have any questions about your enrolment, please phone the Wintec Student Enrolment and Information Centre 0800 294 6832 or free text 8283. Please contact the Programme Coordinator, Sue Edwards, if you have any questions or would like more information about the programme: [sue.edwards@wintec.ac.nz](mailto:sue.edwards@wintec.ac.nz) or 027 359 9743.

### **Payment details**

The Ministry of Education will pay the first half of the scholarship at the end of January 2021. The payment will include the tuition fees (which have not yet been confirmed by Wintec) for the first year courses and \$200 towards course-related costs. A second scholarship payment will be made at the beginning of 2022.

Wintec will invoice the school/ECE service for the course fees.

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