

Foundations in English Language Teaching (FELT)

A 40-hour professional development course for English teachers in Jordan

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9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Course Description

This course will build on your past teaching experience in order to explore essential issues regarding the art of teaching English in the 21st century. The course will focus on four main elements: teacher role, classroom management, classroom interaction and authentic assessment. You will be encouraged to connect your broader vision of the best learning environment for your students with daily classroom practices.

In order to get the most out of the course, you should expect to participate in the following activities: group work, readings from textbook and other supplementary materials, written reflections, video observation, and lesson planning. Course instructors will also emphasize and model reflective teaching practices throughout.

By the end of the week, you will have a portfolio consisting of a description of your beliefs about teaching and learning and two complete lesson plans with assessment tools. This portfolio will demonstrate your learning related to the four main elements listed above and, along with a certificate of course completion, can serve as a reference for your professional advancement.

Class size is limited to 20 participants. Qualified applicants will be accepted on a first-come first-served basis.

Please complete the application below and return to RELO Ruth Petzold (petzoldre@state.gov) **by May 4, 2013**. Those accepted for the course will be notified by May 11, 2013. At that time you will learn how much financial assistance you will receive and how to register for the course.

Costs

Course Fee: 185 JD includes books and materials, *but does not include meals or accommodation*

Accommodation (if needed, at Ibis Hotel across the street): 65 JD/night x 6 = 390 JD

Financial assistance is available. To apply, please complete the Financial Assistance section of the application.

Course Application

Part A - Personal Information

- 1) Family Name:
- 2) First Name:
- 3) Title:
- 4) Telephone (mobile):
- 5) Telephone (land):
- 6) Email:
- 7) Address:
- 8) City:
- 9) Birthday:

Part B - Professional Information

- 10) Highest educational degree completed:
- 11) Field/s of study:
- 12) List any TESOL classes you have taken:
- 13) Number of years you have taught English:
- 14) Name of school where you teach:
- 15) Is it public or private?
- 16) Grades you teach there:
- 17) Total number of students you teach there:
- 18) What materials and resources do you regularly use in teaching?

Part C - FELT Course Preparedness

- 19) What are your professional plans for the next three years?

- 20) Describe your approach/es to professional development.

- 21) Please describe three things you would like to do better in your teaching.

- 22) Do you agree to do one hour of homework per night during the FELT course?

- 23) Do we have permission to videotape you teaching (between May 5 – June5), or will you provide a videotape of you teaching?

- 24) Do you need accommodation at the Ibis Hotel?

Part D - Financial Assistance (complete only if needed)

- 25) Your monthly pay, after deductions:

- 26) Total family income, after deductions (including yours):

- 27) Number of family members this income supports: