PROPOSAL: Accelerated Graduate Degree Program in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

Background

The Graduate Studies Council of the Faculty Senate has approved the creation of the Accelerated Graduate Degree Program in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages. This program would allow students from any K–12 initial certification teacher education program, with a minimum GPA of 3.0 to take up to 12 credit hours of 5000 and 6000 level classes, which would count for both the undergraduate major and the MA in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL). Providing students with this option to double-count up to 12 credit hours offers a financial incentive for students to enroll in the M.A. in TESOL, which would encourage them to remain a WMU student to complete their graduate degree.

Recommended Action

Create the Accelerated Graduate Degree Program in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages.