

A **E** AMERICAN ENGLISH E-Teacher Program

Spring Term 2019 (April 02, 2019 – May 28, 2019)

Integrating Critical Thinking Skills into the Exploration of

Culture in an EFL Setting



Exploration of culture in an EFL setting requires helping students engage in authentic situations to develop the ability to navigate across a variety of cultures. This intercultural ability requires language choices and awareness of oneself as a cultural being. It also requires critical thinking skills, which are themselves culturally defined. Using experiential learning as the organizational model, this course will engage participants in analyzing personal experiences, media, EFL textbooks, and classrooms to develop the capacity to think critically about the cultural assumptions and viewpoints embedded in their teaching content and process. After examining themselves as cultural beings and assessing learners' needs and goals, participants will develop a concrete teaching lesson that reflects their view of teaching critical thinking and intercultural competence in their particular context.

E-Teacher Program Application

Spring Term 2019 application deadline: **December 26, 2018**

Name <i>(As listed on passport)</i>			
	<i>Given Name</i>	<i>(Middle Name)</i>	<i>Family Name</i>
Country of Residence			
Are you a citizen of your country of residence?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Will you be living in your country during the AE E-Teacher course?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
School name and city			
Email Address <i>(Please use your own email address.)</i>			
Phone Number <small>[country code][area code] [local number]</small>	For example, [1][555][1234567]		
Term	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Spring 2019 (April 02, 2019 Start Date)		

What do you do? *(Check as many boxes as apply)*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> In-service Teacher (Primary) | <input type="checkbox"/> Ministry of Education Official |
| <input type="checkbox"/> In-service Teacher (Secondary) | <input type="checkbox"/> Administrator |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-service Teacher | <input type="checkbox"/> Principal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tutor | <input type="checkbox"/> Curriculum Developer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> English Access Microscholarship Program Teacher | <input type="checkbox"/> University Professor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> English Access Microscholarship Program Administrator | <input type="checkbox"/> University Lecturer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | |

Please note: this application is for the **“Integrating Critical Thinking Skills into the Exploration of Culture in an EFL Setting”** (taught by World Learning) course only. Participants will be exclusively from: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Croatia, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Macedonia, Montenegro, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, and Slovenia.

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Statement of Purpose: Please explain your reasons for wanting to participate in the courses you selected. What impact will your participation in this program have on your institution, or region, and how do you expect to use the knowledge acquired in this course?

How will you share the information you will learn with your colleagues after the completion of the course?
(Check as many boxes as apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation | <input type="checkbox"/> Conferences | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workshops | <input type="checkbox"/> Distributing material | _____ |
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Please assess your present English language proficiency. (select one)

Understanding of written English	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair
Expressing yourself in written English	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair

Please assess your computer skills. (select one) Excellent Good Fair None

Please respond to the following questions by selecting one of the boxes.

I have taken an online course before	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
I have regular and reliable access to high-speed internet connection.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
I commit to spending 10 to 12 hours online each week for the duration of the 8-week course to participate in this course.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Questions? Contact us/Submit your application to:
SofiaEducationPrograms@state.gov