The globalization of English and demand for English language instruction worldwide create need for skilled practitioners who can address the widely variant educational needs of English learners.

According to Education First’s 2016 English Proficiency Index (EPI) for both schools and companies worldwide, English language proficiency correlates with higher incomes, improved quality of life, more dynamic business settings, superior connectivity, and more innovation. Recognizing this return on investment, countries across the globe have launched initiatives to expand English language teaching and learning. SRU’s Graduate TESOL Program’s CLT Certificate offers teachers from all parts of the world the opportunity to hone their English instructional techniques and practice cutting-edge communicative methodologies.

Through convenient and specialized certificate-level training, SRU’s graduates will be prepared to utilize contemporary instructional strategies to teach English as a new language to learners of all ages. Facilitating lifelong TESOL development, the Certificate helps graduates realize their dreams of assisting others in achieving improved English fluency and proficiency.

Program Highlights
Slippery Rock University’s Graduate Communicative Language Teaching Certificate can be earned in any term plus one summer and offers:

- Graduate-level training in CLT, the globally preferred method for improved language proficiency
- Flexibility for your busy schedule—1 online course during term of your choosing, and 1 summer workshop in residence at SRU main campus
- Hands-on training, field trips, cultural excursions
- Expert faculty with earned doctorates
- A pathway to Master’s degree— all 9 credits apply to the MA TESOL, leaving 21-24 credits remaining to obtain the full degree

Admission Requirements
Applicants must submit the following materials along with the completed application form and non-refundable application fee:

1. Bachelor’s degree with a minimum cumulative grade point average of a 2.75 in English, modern languages, linguistics, applied linguistics, education, or related field. Other major/minor areas of study considered.
2. Official transcripts
3. Two letters of recommendation
4. Statement of Intent (Personal and professional goals for TESOL study)

No GRE required.

International students should check with the Office for Global Engagement to review all international documents and visa status. Please visit the Graduate Admissions website at www.sru.edu/graduate for more information.

*The educational policies and procedures are continually being reviewed and changed in keeping with the mission of the university. Consequently, this document cannot be considered binding and it is intended to be used as only an informational guide. Students are responsible for being informed of official policies and regulations for meeting all appropriate requirements.