

ESL Volunteer Tutor
ESL Program
First Presbyterian Church of Champaign

Summary of ESL Volunteer Position:

Provide quality English language instruction by tutoring adult English language learners from 20 different countries with a range of English proficiency, so they can fulfill their needs and reach their goals. The program seeks to cultivate an open, safe environment for students and volunteers to feel part of a caring learning community, and to provide support to the tutors through teacher training and guidance from the ESL Coordinator.

Qualifications:

- Willingness to participate in tutor training led by the ESL Coordinator, and to learn from other tutors and from the students themselves.
- Sensitivity and openness to different cultures
- Native-like proficiency or native speaker of the English language
- Patience and understanding
- Flexibility
- Ability to tutor on a consistent basis of at least 2 hours per week (1 class session) for a semester (Fall, Spring, Summer)

Responsibilities:

- Attend an orientation session (1 hour), an initial training (2 hours), and any other additional and periodic workshops that may occur throughout the year
- Complete the Tutor Orientation Process, which includes: 1) observing an experienced tutor for a few classes, 2) co-teaching with an experienced tutor, 3) teaching a session while being observed, and finally, 4) teaching on your own.
- Tutor students in groups of 3-12 in conversational and survival English skills: listening, speaking, and reading.
- Commit to tutoring a minimum of 2 hours (1 class session) per week for one semester. (Note that scheduling is always flexible and arrangements can be made with advance notice of vacations and other absences.)
- Familiarize the students with American culture and resources to increase their understanding and promote their independence.
- Keep records of students' attendance and lessons taught

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