**Peace Corps Coverdell Fellows**

**English as a Second Language (ESL): Traditional Track**

***Prerequisite:* Valid teacher certification from any state and in any teaching field**

***Program*: 34-37 credit hours (with advanced certification in ESL)**

**Apply to UAB for starting the MAEd/ESL program in Fall 2016:** [admission process](http://www.uab.edu/education/ci/english-as-a-second-language-program-description/program-admissions)

***A similar plan would be followed for starting in Spring.***

**May 1, 2016 – Submit degree-seeking** [application](https://app.applyyourself.com/AYApplicantLogin/fl_ApplicantLogin.asp?id=uab-grad) **to UAB Graduate School (Absolute deadline, July 1st)**

**May 15, 2016 – Participate in initial interview with School of Education’s Coverdell Fellows selection committee**

**May 20, 2016 – Learn about competitive graduate assistantship:** [spezzini@uab.edu](mailto:spezzini@uab.edu) **(usually just for Fall start)**

**June 15, 2016 – Be admitted to Graduate School and be accepted as a Coverdell Fellow in education**

**June 20, 2016 – Participate in an interview for a graduate assistantship**

**June 30, 2016 – If selected, be offered graduate assistantship to start in August**

**On campus at UAB: August 2016 – August 2017 (projected dates and possible course sequence)**

**34-37 semester credit hours**

**Fall 2016 (mid August – mid December)**

**EDU 600 *Education as a Profession* (online)**

**EESL 610 *Second Language Acquisition* (Mondays, 5:00-7:30 pm)**

**EESL 615 *Grammar for ESL Teachers* (Wednesdays, 5:00-7:30 pm)**

**EEC 674 *Language Development* (online)**

**Spring 2017 (early January – late April)**

**EESL 625 *Phonology for Second Language Teachers* (6 Saturdays, 8:00-4:45)**

**EESL 630 *Methods and Materials for Teaching ESL* (Tuesdays, 5:00-7:30)**

**EESL 640 *Teaching ESL through Reading and Writing* (online)**

**ECY 600 *Introduction to Exceptional Learners* (if not taken as an UG) or EESL 677 Field Studies**

**Summer 2017 (early May – early August)**

**EESL 612 Curriculum, Programs, and Policies (one week in June, Monday-Friday, plus 3 days in schools)**

**EESL 613 *Teaching ESL in a multicultural society* (one week in June, Monday-Friday)**

**EESL 660 *Research in ESL* (online)**

**EESL 690 *Internship, K-12* (two weeks teaching in K-12 English Learner summer programs)**

**Comprehensive Examination and graduation**

**Practicum Activities**

* **Field experiences (about 150 clock hours) in fall and spring; internship (2 weeks) in summer**
* **If awarded a graduate assistantship, work about 10 hours a week at UAB.**

**Advantages offered to Coverdell Fellows**

* Scholarship ($1,508) upon starting the master’s program, which will make out-of-state Coverdell Fellows eligible for in-state tuition for one year.
* Elective: EESL 677 *Field Studies*

Major course project met through blog and 10-page reflective report about PCV experiences

* EESL 613 *Teaching ESL in a multicultural society*

Activities selected by course instructor and Fellow to compliment PCV experiences