Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Today’s Objectives
   - Identify needs of diverse ESL programs throughout the community
   - Hear ideas about how UAB’s MAE/ESL can better serve in meeting your needs.
   - Better understand how to prepare excellent teachers in teaching ESL to adult ELLs
   - Meet the Advisory Council requirement of SOE’s accreditation agency

3. Summary from a November 13th Planning Meeting
   UAB School of Education: Susan Spezzini and Susie Olmstead
   Graduate School: Julia Austin
   ELCI: Rebekah Trinh
   Smolian International House: Carol Argo
   MAE program: 8 graduates to date (2006-08)
   Projection: about 3 or 4 graduates a year
   Identified some needs of ESL centers: staffing and ongoing professional development
   Identified some needs of UAB’s MAE program: Practicum placements
      Pre-practicum experiences (observing and teaching)
      Practicum Teaching (one semester)

4. What are your needs?
   - Schools and Colleges
   - Community Programs

5. How can UAB’s MAE/ESL program help you?
   School of Education’s ESL website: www.ed.uab.edu/esl
   Blue advising packet: non-certification MAE/ESL

6. Plans for our next meeting:
   Possible Topics: Establishing outreach subcommittees
      Evaluating quality of UAB’s ESL teacher education program
      Making recommendations to improve MAE/ESL program
   Possible Date: September or October