

Programs

Consulting (one on one)

Lesson planning: Learn to design lessons that effectively help your students reach the goal of the course.

- + deciding your course's goal
- + choosing exercises to practice skills in order to reach the goal
- + assigning appropriate homework

Class management: You will be given tools that help you manage your lessons and students.

- + beginning and ending a lesson
- + setting up groups, creating group leaders
- + disciplining students

Using your textbook effectively: Organize your lessons so that they take advantage of the text's good aspects and supplement the weak portions.

- + recognizing the main point of a unit
- + adapting and improving textbook exercises
- + supplementing lessons with outside material

Creating a new course / improving an existing course: We can help you create a course that will be satisfying to both teachers and students.

- + identifying the course's goal
- + finding appropriate materials
- + streaming students' levels

Learning language through content: Learning language through content is a foreign language teaching method that is supported by research and experience.

- + deciding a theme
- + finding and editing materials
- + creating communicative exercises

Using authentic materials: The use of authentic materials (newspapers, films, radio programs, etc.) is a way to motivate and expose your students to “real” language.

- + finding and editing materials
- + matching materials to the course’s goal
- + creating level-appropriate exercises

Teaching a specific skill (reading, speaking, presentation, listening, etc.): These consulting sessions are designed to help you with teaching one specific skill.

- + creating activities
- + planning lessons
- + making the classes more active and communicative

Editing / Writing assistance: Although we do not offer full editing services, we can help you with specific questions you may have about English usage or translation. Also, we can offer advice about writing language-learning texts.

- + checking for correct and natural use of English
- + creating effective textbooks
- + brainstorming ideas for textbook themes, goals, exercises, etc.

*We can also provide counselling to groups of teachers at your school. Fees depend on size of group. Please contact us for more details.

**If there is something you would like to receive counselling about but do not see on our list, please contact us. Additional fees may apply to customized sessions.

Workshops (maximum 12 people)

How to prepare your students for the new university entrance exams

Universities have been instructed to change their entrance exams by 2020. These new exams will not merely test their memorization skills, but their thinking, judgement and ability to express themselves. This workshop will address how teachers can help their students prepare for this.

Making your lessons more communicative

Many teachers would like their classes to become more active and communicative, but find it difficult due to administration requirements, unhelpful texts, or just from lack of experience. In this workshop we will look at why an active and communicative class is a successful one and how to make your class that way.

Learning language through content

A proven way of learning a language is by doing something or studying another subject in that language. By shifting the focus from the target language, students learn naturally through use. This workshop will offer ideas and activities to help you add this style to your classes.

Correction and feedback

It is important to know when and how to correct students. It is even more important that teachers offer feedback. This workshop will focus on learning at what times correction is best, what kind of correction is effective, and how to offer the students feedback that contributes to their learning and confidence.

Classroom management

All teachers have faced problems in their classrooms that they were not prepared for. This workshop provides concrete ideas about how to manage and discipline, but also gives an opportunity for the members to discuss and share their own experiences and ideas with each other.

Activities for specific language learning skills

As a teacher it is tiring trying to think up varied and interesting activities that help our students practice skills such as reading, listening and speaking. In this workshop, many communicative and active learning exercises will be introduced and demonstrated. There will also be time for the participants to share their favorite activities with each other.

Student motivation

This topic is something that all teachers across all disciplines have an interest in.... How do we get our students interested in the class? This workshop will look at what motivates students and what teachers can do to help them take an active interest in the subject and class.

Beyond “studying abroad”

It is no surprise that studying abroad is one of the best ways to learn a foreign language. However, due to some constraints such as money or time, there may not be a chance to do so. In this workshop, we will look at alternatives to studying abroad such as volunteering, “short stays”, and ways to learn a language while travelling cheaply.

Seminars

These events will be held irregularly throughout the year. Details will be posted on this website in advance.