

Testing, Evaluation and Assessment

40 hours NILE Online Course 24 April - 28 June or 18 September - 22 November 2017

This eight-week course is an introduction to **key concepts, principles and practices** in language **testing and assessment**, and in the broader area of **course and programme evaluation**. The course is designed for **education professionals** with a general interest in language assessment, and for those with a specific professional role in this area.

The first unit of the course introduces the tutor, participants, platform and resources, and also introduces concepts in language assessment which will be referred to and developed throughout the course. This includes the idea of test purpose and test types to fit different purposes and contexts.

Unit 2 extends this idea to cover external frameworks of reference in language assessment, and their contemporary relevance in the links between learning, teaching and testing.

Units 3 to 5 focus on approaches to assessing the skills and systems of language, covering tasks, items, marking keys and criteria, and their impact on the language classroom as well as the assessment situation.

In Unit 6, we look at researching language tests and assessment practices, from a **quantitative and** a **qualitative perspective**, and in the penultimate unit we consider 'alternative' assessment practices and the role of technology in language testing and assessment.

The final unit takes a look forward, both at the **future of language assessment** in general, exploring **research trends and potential developments**, and the future for participants' own professional practice, beginning with the course assignments – a choice of assessed products for open-enrolment course participants, and the assessment requirements of the MA module for those on the Master's programme.

The course is broken down into individual units and activities, forming a clear structure. Tasks will be interactive, involving voice chat, forums and community walls, and they will utilize a wide range of multimedia

including images, audio files and videos.

The NILE Institute is committed to offering the **best quality** in language teacher training and **provides tutorial contact** during the online course. The participants will receive **allocated tutor interaction** and **feedback in each unit** they take.



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