

## RULES AND REGULATIONS METU TESOL DUAL DIPLOMA STUDENTS

- To begin the dual diploma program at New Paltz, students must:
  - \*Have a passing TOEFL score (550 on the SUNY institutional TOEFL or 79 on the iBT; 6,5 on the IELTS)
  - \*Have a 2.0 minimum cumulative GPA at METU
  - \*Have failed no more than three classes (maximum of 3 Fs in METU courses)
  - \*Have taken a minimum of four second year classes at METU.
  
- *Students who do not meet the TOEFL requirement but meet other criteria can retake the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year courses they have failed at METU and a maximum of 4 4<sup>th</sup> year courses other than TEFL 490 Practice Teaching course.*
  
- Students who do not meet the TOEFL requirement may also choose to take English language classes at the Haggerty English Language Program (HELP) at New Paltz to improve their English skills (see separate policies for students in this situation).
  
- Students in the dual diploma TESOL program must spend two semesters and two summer sessions at New Paltz to fulfill the requirements of the program. Time spent primarily in the Haggerty English Language Program (HELP) is not included in this mandatory time on campus.
  
- Students who drop or withdraw from classes are required to retake these classes (or other classes in the same category) at SUNY New Paltz. Dropped or withdrawn classes cannot be completed at METU.
  
- Students must be enrolled full-time during all semesters of the program (a minimum of 12 credits is required to maintain legal visa status in the US).
  
- Online classes cannot be used to shorten the length of study at New Paltz. They can be taken by students in the program but they still must remain in the US for the required duration of the program (two academic semesters and two summer sessions in residence at New Paltz).
  
- Students cannot overload courses at New Paltz in order to reduce their time in the program. Students will only be approved for an overload under the following conditions:
  - Their GPA is 3.0 or greater.
  - They have already completed one full semester of coursework at New Paltz.
  - They are overloading their schedule to retake a failed or withdrawn class.
  - The maximum number of credits in one semester is 22 (and 9 for a summer session).

- They have the dual diploma director's approval.
  - \*Students will not pay extra for overloading a course at New Paltz during the academic year; however, there will be a charge in the summer because students pay on a per credit basis.
- To return to METU at the end of the third year at New Paltz, students must have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 at New Paltz. They also must have no more than two failed classes at New Paltz.
  - Passing grades at SUNY New Paltz are C- for major classes and D- for education and general education classes.
- *At METU, students with GPAs greater than 2.5 can overload by two courses. A maximum of two failed courses at New Paltz can be retaken at METU. However, the 6 required "liberal studies" major classes **cannot** be retaken at METU because students are already earning the minimum number of credits at New Paltz in their major. Education or general education (e.g., math, science, art) can be retaken at METU if the other conditions are met.*
- To graduate from the program, students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 at New Paltz and have completed all of the requirements/courses from both universities.