There is no doubt a TEFL certification is one of the most valuable qualifications an English speaker can have today. The English language becomes more important every day and many countries are in need of teachers. If you have decided to obtain your
TEFL you have made the right choice! Online certifications are best for those who need a flexible experience to properly fit their schedule.

Despite the rumors, online TEFL certifications are just as good as their in-class counterparts and are accepted widely. Although in class teaching experience, like that offered by many in-class certifications, is extremely valuable -- you don’t need experience to get a job! I am living proof of that -- I had never taught before but I still got hired by a wonderful private academy in South Korea with my online TEFL certification.

To help you choose the right online TEFL program for you, I’ve worked with Go Overseas to crunch the numbers and compare the programs listed below. Read on for review snippets and highlights from the nine best online TEFL courses, and what makes each one so great.

How did we pick these programs?

In choosing the best online TEFL course, we took into account two main factors: the review scores of each program, and the number of reviews that program had received.

For all online TEFL courses on Go Overseas, we ask reviewers to rate six variables: (1) Instruction, (2) Support, (3) Value, (4) Academic Rigor, (5) Job Assistance, and (6) Overall. We average these scores, compare them to other online TEFL courses, and take into account the total number of reviews each program has received.

From there, our goal is to choose those programs which are truly the best: they have more and better reviews than the average for similar programs and are verified by enough reviews for us to feel confident giving our stamp of approval.

1. Vantage: 120 Hour TEFL Certification
Not only is Vantage the top online TEFL course on Go Overseas, but it was also voted the number one overall best TEFL course for the 2018 Go Overseas Community Choice Awards!

Vantage offers an **online 120 hour certification** that includes two weeks of observed teacher training in Thailand. With the combined online course, you can have all the benefits of an online program with the immensely valuable in-class experience. After learning the ropes, you’ll put your knowledge to the test in a real classroom during the observed training!

Alumni who loved the program said:

- “The teaching practicum was one of the high spots of my TEFL course. Everything you have to do in the classroom was a real ‘live’ situation. **I got really great feedback after each practice which was super helpful in my development as a teacher.**” -- Nat
- “Vantage is fond of saying that “new teachers are born in the classroom.” **While I was skeptical at first, the hands-on teaching experience was amazing.** The
trainers have decades of experience of teaching overseas in a lot of different countries. I got great expert feedback after each session.” -- Olivia

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2. TEFLPros: 120 Hour Online TEFL Certification

With a 98% overall rating, TEFLPros comes in at number two on our list. TEFLPros was also recognized for several of Go Overseas’ Community Choice Awards including instruction, Job Assistance, and Support!

They have a unique offering of over 50 hours of video to complement the course. Although there is not an in-class component to this course, the wide selection of videos allows you to see the curriculum put into action in a real classroom setting. They focus on building your skills making your own classroom materials and a variety of different lesson types.