

## **ESOL Teacher Professional Knowledge**

- Deep understanding of the cognitive, social, economic, and affective benefits of language learning
- Expertise with teaching methods, approaches, & techniques for integrating academic content and language learning
- Knowledge about second language acquisition theories and processes
- Comprehension of English linguistics
- Skilled at assessing content knowledge and language proficiency
- Ability to identify language proficiency levels of English learners and skilled at differentiating content and language learning for different proficiency levels
- Acquisition of the dispositions and skills to collaborate and communicate effectively with families
- Knowledge of how to identify funds of knowledge and ability to apply this knowledge into instruction
- Understanding of the importance of advocacy and skilled at advocating with a variety of stakeholders.