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The table below contains a list of acronyms and abbreviations used in TIRF's (2013) publication entitled, *A Case for Online English Language Teacher Education*. Visit [www.tirfonline.org](http://www.tirfonline.org) to download the paper.

CAEP	Council on the Accreditation of Educator Preparation
CALL	Computer-assisted Language Learning
CELTA	Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages
CEU	Continuing Education Unit
CMC	Computer-mediated Communication
DE	Distance Education
DELTA	Diploma in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages
EFL	English as a Foreign Language
ELL	English Language Learner
ELT	English Language Teaching
ftf	Face-to-face
GNP	Gross National Product
ICT	Information and Communications Technology
LMS	Learning Management System
MA	Master of Arts
MEd	Master of Education
MPhil	Master of Philosophy
MSc	Master of Science
NCATE	National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education
NEASC	New England Association of Schools and Colleges
NGO	Non-government organization
OECD	Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development
OLTE	Online Language Teacher Education
PBL	Project-based learning
PC	Professional Certificate
PD	Professional Development
PDO	Professional Development Opportunity
PGCert	Postgraduate Certificate
PGDip	Postgraduate Diploma
PhD	Doctor of Philosophy
SASC	Southern Association for Colleges and Schools
TEL	Technology-enhanced learning
TEFL	Teaching English as a Foreign Language
TESL	Teaching English as a Second Language
TESOL	Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages/Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages
TESP	Teaching English for Specific Purposes
TEYL	Teaching English to Young Learners
VOIP	Voice Over Internet Protocol
WASC	Western Association of Schools and Colleges