

# TEFL-Portfolio

## WHY?

### Research

to provide research in the context of quality development of teacher education in English at Leuphana University

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myPortfolio

It is your companion to document and reflect on your development, experiences, and courses throughout your entire EFL teacher training.

### What's in it for me?

- Reflection and personal growth
- Engage in conversations with peers and get feedback on your work
- Observe your skills improve over the course of your studies

### FUN FACTS

#### Since when?

- WS 20/21

#### How many groups?

- Over 10 different groups (M.Ed. & B.A.)

#### How many people?

- Over 200 students

#### How many Reflection modules?

- 10 modules in total

## WHAT?

It is a place where you can document your professional development. Once a term, we offer reflection modules that link to varying modules of your EFL studies. These tasks integrate the different fields of your EFL studies (Didactics, Linguistics, Area Studies, Literature, Stay Abroad).

## STUDENT EXPERIENCE

### 1) What was your first impression of the TEFL - Portfolio?

- My first impression was actually that myPortfolio is a little complicated. At first glance, the website was a little overwhelming. But after spending some time on it, it was easy to figure out how everything works.

### 2) What was your favorite part of working with the TEFL - Portfolio?

- My favorite part was that by working on the myPortfolio I had to reflect on my language learning process. I really liked that we had to dig up some essays from our school days and that we had to reflect on our level from back then and evaluate our development.

### 3) Did the peer feedback help you reflect on your own work?

- It was definitely new and different to me, because getting feedback from our peers instead of our lecturers wasn't something that we do a lot in our studies. So it was really nice to hear what the others thought of my work and how I could improve it.

### 4) What parts of the TEFL - Portfolio could be improved, in your opinion?

- I wish that the myPortfolio would be more integrated into our seminars because it wasn't quite clear why we had to do it or how it worked while also making it feel like an obligation.

### 5) Has your first impression changed after having worked on the modules?

- At first, I was kind of overwhelmed with all the tasks, but looking back on it, I'm glad that I did it and that it is documented so I can always look back on my work and how I have improved since then.