

BILINGUAL EDUCATION (BE) ENDORSEMENT - GRADUATE

Admission Requirements

To be eligible for the Bilingual Bicultural Education endorsement program, students must hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university and hold a valid teaching license.

To apply, please submit the following items to The Office of Graduate Admission:

- A completed application
- Application fee (\$40.00)
- One official transcript from all colleges and/or universities attended
- A copy of valid professional educator license
- A résumé or curriculum vitae
- Two letters of recommendation from professors or employers
- Statement of purpose indicating professional development goals and related experience (750 words)

Course Requirements

28 Quarter Hours, Grade of C or Better Required in All Courses

Illinois target language proficiency (TLP) test required in addition to the coursework and field experience hours below:

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
BBE 510	SPECIAL TOPICS IN LANGUAGE EDUCATION AND CULTURE	4
BBE 570	LANGUAGE, LITERACIES AND CULTURES	4
BBE 406	SOCIOCULTURAL AND HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES IN BILINGUAL EDUCATION	4
BBE 407	EQUITY ISSUES IN ASSESSMENT OF LANGUAGE LEARNERS	4
BBE 425	BILITERACY PRACTICES IN BILINGUAL EDUCATION AND ESL	4
BBE 560	SECOND, WORLD AND HERITAGE LANGUAGE ACQUISITION	4
BBE 524	METHODS OF TEACHING ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE	4
BBE 97	100 FIELD EXPERIENCE HOURS IN ESL / BE DOCUMENTED (PA grade required)	0

Licensure Test

Individuals seeking a bilingual endorsement must complete the Target Language Proficiency (TLP) test in the non-English language.

Endorsement Application

Individuals must submit an application directly to the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) upon successful completion of the required coursework and licensure tests. All individuals must meet ISBE requirements at the time of application. Requirements are subject to change per the discretion of ISBE.