

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL) ENDORSEMENT - GRADUATE

Admission Requirements

To be eligible for the English as a Second Language (ESL) 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
- Online application fee
- One official transcript from all colleges and/or universities attended
- A copy of valid professional educator license
- A resume 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

Must complete 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 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 526	THEORETICAL FOUNDATIONS OF TEACHING ESL AND WLE	4
BBE 97	100 FIELD EXPERIENCE HOURS IN ESL / BE DOCUMENTED (non-credit)	0

Endorsement Application

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