

TESOL Endorsement

ESL Endorsement Courses

The TESOL Program offers graduate courses that can be taken by individuals who are already state licensed teachers who wish to qualify for State of Illinois Endorsement to teach ESL. For undergraduate students who are working toward a state certification and would like to simultaneously complete coursework leading to the endorsement at the undergraduate level, please see "Minor in TESL (<http://catalog.neiu.edu/arts-sciences/teaching-english-second-foreign-language/minor-tes-ltefl/>)".

To obtain an ESL Endorsement you need to:

- Possess or working towards a valid Early Childhood, Elementary, Secondary, or Special Education Illinois Teaching License (license types 03, 04, 09, or 10)
- Complete 18 credit hours distributed among five course areas designated by the state. NEIU offers the courses below to fulfill TESOL Endorsement requirements. See your advisor for other courses that may be acceptable.

Code	Title	Hours
Linguistics		
TESL-402	Principles Of Linguistics For Teachers	3
TESL-420	Structure Of Modern English (Prereq: TESL-402)	3
Theoretical Foundations of Teaching ESL		
TESL-414	Theories Of Teaching English As A Second Language	3
Assessment of the Bilingual Student		
TESL-468	Principles Of Language Assessment (Prereq: TESL-410 and TESL-414)	3
Methods and Materials of Teaching ESL		
TESL-410	Techniques Of Teaching English As A Second Language (Prereq: TESL-414)	3
Cross-Cultural Studies for Teaching Limited English-Proficient (LEP) Students		
TESL-445	Language Variation	3

- Complete 100 clock hours of ESL clinical experience. See your advisor for placement.
- **Please note:** Teachers with an Illinois teaching license endorsed in a special education teaching field, or a license with a special education approval, can meet requirements for the ISBE ESL Special Education Approval by completing three (3) classes or a total of 9 credit hours: TESL 414, TESL 410, and TESL 468.

This sample plan of study is provided to guide you in the planning of your progression for this program. This guide should not replace regular consultations with your program advisor. For specific recommendations of courses not identified, please consult your program advisor.

Sample Plan of Study:

First Year		
Term 1		
		Hours
TESL-402	Principles Of Linguistics For Teachers	3
Term Hours		3
Term 2		
TESL-414	Theories Of Teaching English As A Second Language	3
Term Hours		3
Term 3		
TESL-410	Techniques Of Teaching English As A Second Language	3
Term Hours		3

Second Year

Term 1			
TESL-420	Structure Of Modern English		3
		Term Hours	3
Term 2			
TESL-445	Language Variation		3
		Term Hours	3
Term 3			
TESL-468	Principles Of Language Assessment		3
		Term Hours	3
		Total Hours:	18