

# Minor in TESL

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The TESOL Program offers courses leading to an undergraduate minor. In addition, these same courses can be taken by students in the College of Education who are pursuing state licensure for teaching (license types 03, 04, 09, or 10) and would simultaneously like to work toward an endorsement for teaching English as a second language in the State of Illinois. Students seeking the TESOL Endorsement will also need to complete an additional 100 clinical hours in an ESL setting; these should be completed in conjunction with enrollment in TESL 399.

Please note: The 100 clinical hours are NOT a requirement of the Minor in TESL; they are one of the state's requirements for receiving the TESOL endorsement.

## University Core Curriculum Requirements

General Education Distribution Area	Cr. Hrs.
<b>Fine Arts (FA)*</b> 2 courses, from at least two of the following areas of study: Art, CMT (Mass Media or Theatre), Music (includes Dance).	6
<b>Humanities (HU)*</b> 3 courses, from at least two of the following areas of study: CMT (Communication), English, Linguistics, Philosophy, Women's and Gender Studies, World Languages and Cultures, (Note: No more than two foreign language courses may be used to fulfill this requirement.)	9
<b>Behavioral/Social Sciences (SB)*</b> 3 courses, from at least two of the following areas of study: African & African American Studies, Anthropology, Computer Science, Economics, Geography & Environmental Studies, History, Justice Studies, Latino & Latin American Studies, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, Social Work	9
<b>Natural Sciences (NS and NSL)**</b> 3 courses, from at least two of the following areas of study; one course must have a laboratory component (NSL): Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, Environmental Science, Physics (Note: If an FYE ANTH that counts as Natural Science is taken, only one Biology course may be used for Natural Science).	9

### Engaged Learning Experiences

Students must complete, at Northeastern, three courses designated as Engaged Learning Experiences courses. One of the Engaged Learning Experiences courses must be at the 300-level, and one Engaged Learning Experiences course must be designated as "Boundary Crossing".

#### Discipline Specific (ELE-DS)

These courses have pre-requisites that are specific courses within a program of study. Discipline Specific courses give students a deeper understanding of how knowledge is created and applied in their field.

#### Boundary Crossing (ELE-X)

These are courses that cross disciplinary boundaries and/or cross boundaries through engagements outside the classroom or University allowing students to see how knowledge gained in one field might inform other fields or other aspects of society.

### Math/Quantitative Reasoning (MA)

1 Math course, that has intermediate Algebra as prerequisite OR is a course listed on the General Education Distributive Learning List of Approved Courses. Any 3 hour college level math course, beyond Intermediate Algebra, meets this requirement.

\* Majors in Fine Arts, Humanities or Social/Behavioral Sciences, may waive up to 6 credit hours of General Education requirements in the corresponding distribution area.

\*\* Majors in Natural Sciences may waive up to 9 credit hours of General Education requirements in the Natural Sciences distribution area.

Students should also be aware of all other university requirements to obtain a degree - NEIU requirements (<http://catalog.neiu.edu/graduation-requirements/bachelors-degree/>)

## Minor in TESL (18 credit hours)

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Required Courses <sup>1</sup></b>		
TESL-301	The English Language For Teachers	3
TESL-310	English Grammar: Description & Instruction	3
TESL-330	Language, Society, And Education	3
or TESL-320K	Language & Culture: Latin America	
TESL-341	Principles Of Language Teaching	3
TESL-340	Practices & Procedures	3
TESL-343	Introduction To Language Assessment	3
or BLBC-342	Assessment In The Bilingual Classroom	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>18</b>

<sup>1</sup> Alternate options may be available to fulfill the minor. Please contact the TESOL undergraduate advisor.

**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 (<https://www.neiu.edu/faculty/john-r-armour/>).**

### Sample Plan of Study:

<b>First Year</b>		
<b>Term 1</b>		
TESL-301	The English Language For Teachers	3
TESL-341	Principles Of Language Teaching	3
<b>Term Hours</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Term 2</b>		
TESL-310	English Grammar: Description Instruction	3
TESL-340	Practices Procedures	3
<b>Term Hours</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Second Year</b>		
<b>Term 1</b>		
TESL-330	Language, Society, And Education	3
<b>Term Hours</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Term 2</b>		
TESL-343	Introduction To Language Assessment	3
<b>Term Hours</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Total Hours:</b>		<b>18</b>

**Please note: It is possible to complete the program requirements while earning the credits necessary for approval to teach English as a Second Language on a valid Illinois teaching certificate (03, 04, 09, or 10). The state approval also requires 100 clock hours of ESL experience, but this is NOT a requirement of the minor; they can be fulfilled by taking TESL 399. Please contact your advisor for more information and to discuss your course sequence**