# **Minor in Bilingual Education**

The Minor in Bilingual Education, when combined with an education major leading to a teaching license: Early Childhood (birth to 2nd grade), Elementary (1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> grade), Middle Level (5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grade), Secondary (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade), Physical Education (K-12<sup>th</sup> grade), or Special Education (K-age 21), prepares individuals to work with English learners in bilingual settings within the grade range of their initial endorsement.

In order to obtain a Bilingual Endorsement, students completing a Minor in Bilingual Education must do one of their clinical experiences in a bilingual classroom and pass a state test of language proficiency.

## **University Core Curriculum Requirements**

#### **General Education Distribution Area** Cr. Hrs. Fine Arts (FA)\* 6 2 courses, from at least two of the following areas of study: Art, CMT (Mass Media or Theatre), Music (includes Dance). Humanities (HU)\* 9 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.) Behavioral/Social Sciences (SB)\* 9 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 Natural Sciences (NS and NSL)\*\* 9 3 courses, from at least two of the following areas of study; one course

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).

#### **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.

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

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Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
BLBC-338	Bilingualism And Education	3
BLBC-339	Culturally Responsive Teaching in Diverse Classrooms	3
BLBC-340	Teaching English Learners In Diverse Classrooms	3
BLBC-341	Methods of Teaching in Bilingual Classrooms	3
BLBC-342	Assessment In The Bilingual Classroom	3
TESL-301	The English Language For Teachers	3
Total Hours		18

Pass the Illinois State Test of Language Proficiency.