

BLBC Endorsement Courses

BLBC CONTENT AREAS	COURSEWORK
Foundations	BLBC 438 or BLBC 338 or TESL 414
Assessment	BLBC 442 or BLBC 342 or TESL 468
Methods and Materials for Bilingual Education	BLBC 441 or BLBC 341
Cross-Cultural Studies for Teaching Limited-English--Proficient Students	BLBC 439 or BLBC 339 or TESL 445
Methods and Materials for Teaching ESL	BLBC 440 or BLBC 340 or TESL 410
Elective	TESL 402 or TESL 301 or BLBC 443
100 clock hours/ 3 months experience	--Practicing teachers must submit a letter from the principal certifying 3 months of teaching experience in a bilingual setting. Apply directly through your ROE or: --Candidates in the ELED/BLBC major will take BLBC 328B clinical and BLBC 329 Student teaching in bilingual settings. --Graduate candidates in the MAT-ELED Program will take BLBC 429 in a bilingual setting.

Notes:

- Candidates who want to complete the elementary education endorsement and add the bilingual endorsement will declare elementary education with bilingual education as their major and no need to complete a minor in bilingual education.
- Candidates in the Early Childhood Program who will complete the minor in Bilingual Education will complete: ECED 327B (100 hrs.) in a bilingual setting.
- For candidates in the Elementary education program with a bilingual endorsement major, TESL 301 or TESL 402 is suggested to add the ESL endorsement. Also, since your BLBC 429 or BLBC 329 is in a bilingual **AND ESL setting**, you **DO NOT** need to take TESL 399.
- Candidates in the following programs: Middle-Level education, PE, and Secondary education, completing a minor in Bilingual Education must contact their program coordinator/facilitator to determine how to meet the 100 hours of clinical experience in a bilingual setting. The CEST office must be notified in advance to place the candidate in a bilingual setting. If the CEST office cannot identify a bilingual setting, NEIU can entitle the candidate to short-term approval in bilingual education once the coursework is completed. The candidate can work as a bilingual educator with this approval. Once they teach in their classroom, they can apply for regular endorsement through their Regional Office of Education. Their school principal will write a letter to certify 3-months of teaching experience. Contact your program advisor on how to apply for short-term approval.
- Candidates in the BA - LBS I program working toward the BLBC endorsement will not complete the 100 hours of field experience required; instead, they will earn a short-term approval valid for three years. They can work as a bilingual educator with this approval. Once they teach in their classroom, they can apply for regular endorsement through your Regional Office of Education. Their school principal will write a letter certifying 3-months of teaching experience through a letter. Contact your program advisor on how to apply for short-term approval.

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ESL Endorsement Courses

ESL CONTENT	COURSEWORK
Linguistics	TESL 402 or TESL 301
Theoretical Foundations of Teaching ESL	TESL 414 or BLBC 438 or TESL0... 341 or BLBC 338
Methods and Materials for Teaching ESL	TESL 410 or TESL 340 or BLBC 440 or BLBC 340
Assessment	TESL 468 or TESL 343 or BLBC 442 or BLBC 342
Cross--Cultural Studies for Teaching Limited--English-- Proficient Students	TESL 445 or TESL 330 or BLBC 439 or BLBC 339
Elective	TESL 420 or TESL 310
100 clock hours/ 3 months experience (if coursework is infused, indicate all courses the educator must complete)	<p><u>Post--Baccalaureate candidates</u></p> <p>Students must complete 18 semester hours distributed among the courses and areas listed below. Students must apply for their endorsement through their Regional Officer of Education. Documentation including demographics of school -- all on official letterhead and signed by district administrator <u>OR</u> 3 months teaching experience with ESL students including demographics of school -- all on official letterhead and signed by district administrator, must be provided to the ROE.</p> <p><u>Undergraduate Candidates</u></p> <p>Students must complete 18 semester hours distributed among the courses and areas listed below. In addition, students must complete an ESL clinical totaling 100 contact hours (TESL 399) in order to be entitled for the endorsement by NEIU.</p> <p>Students who do not complete TESL 399 at NEIU must apply for their endorsement through their Regional Officer of Education. Documentation including demographics of school -- all on official letterhead and signed by district administrator <u>OR</u> 3 months teaching experience with ESL students including demographics of school -- all on official letterhead and signed by district administrator, must be provided to the ROE.</p>

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