



# MSEd IN LITERACY EDUCATION WITH EMPHASIS IN ESL/BILINGUAL EDUCATION

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<http://www.cedu.niu.edu/ltcy/>

## REQUIRED COURSES:

For a list of required courses, visit:  
[http://www.cedu.niu.edu/ltcy/  
Program\\_Forms/FAQ\\_Bilingual\\_ESL.  
pdf](http://www.cedu.niu.edu/ltcy/Program_Forms/FAQ_Bilingual_ESL.pdf)

The program is designed for teachers who wish to gain theory and research based competencies to work effectively with students, teachers, K-14 school-community personnel, and parents/adults to improve ELL instruction in schools and communities. Since it leads to either or both the ISBE approval as teacher of English as a second language or the ISBE approval as a bilingual education teacher, it meets institutional, state, and national standards from the ISBE and the NCATE recognized Specialized Professional Association (Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages – TESOL)

## TARGET AUDIENCE:

Currently certified teachers who wish to add an ESL or bilingual approval or endorsement. (Those seeking the bilingual endorsement must also be bilingual in a target language). Others who wish to teach English as a second language in a setting other than K-12 schools.

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

Each application for the MS.Ed. will be rated and ranked using the unit's standard four category Application Review Rubric: undergraduate grade point average (minimum 3.00 gpa) and graduate point average (if available), test scores (GRE or MAT), letters of recommendation (minimum two letters), and a professional goals statement. Students may begin coursework as a student at large. Students may complete all approval/endorsement coursework as a student at large.

## COST:

For current tuition and fees, see <http://www.niu.edu/bursar>.

## REGISTRATION PROCEDURE:

Through NIU's MyNIU system.

## ACADEMIC CALENDAR:

Semester system.

## DELIVERY MODE:

Face-to-face instruction.

## LOCATION(S) OF COURSES:

University Center facility in Grayslake.

## TEXTBOOK PURCHASE:

- From the University Bookstore by phone (800)999-6488 or visit. Checks and credit cards are accepted. Books will be sent via UPS with a shipping and handling fee added.
- From on-line vendors when current editions are available.

## TRANSFER HOURS POLICY:

Student-at-large, study-abroad, and transfer hours in combination may not exceed 15 semester hours for students pursuing the MSEd degree in literacy education.

## TOTAL HOURS NEEDED:

33 credits.

## FINANCIAL AID INFO:

Candidates are eligible to seek traditional avenues for financial aid (e.g., loans). Individuals enrolled in our cohort programs that are not grant driven generally seek tuition reimbursement from their school districts.

## ADDITIONAL INFO:

Students need not be enrolled in the MSEd program to take courses leading to ESL or bilingual education approval or endorsement.