

Elementary and Secondary Education with ESOL Minor

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The English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) minor is available to all **Bachelor of Science in Education** majors (Elementary or Secondary). This program consists of 6 undergraduate courses for a total of 18 credit hours.

This minor results in a PreK-12 endorsement to a Kansas teaching certificate/license. In addition to coursework, students need to pass the ESOL PRAXIS™ test to be eligible for endorsement.

The primary goal of the ESOL minor is to have competent, committed, caring professionals teach and serve the needs of the English Language Learners, families, the schools, and the community.

Teacher candidates do not have to know another language in order to be successful in this minor (it is helpful but not required). The purpose of the program is to support future teachers as they learn how to develop and differentiate curricula while teaching core academic content, assess learning, and provide support for families who are not native English speakers.

Coursework and field experiences are centered around research and best teaching practices. The minor will expand and enrich teaching skills in a collaborative environment. The hands-on interactive teaching strategies that work for all students, but are especially effective for ELLs, and can be modified to all subjects and grade levels. They will enable future educators to better serve the needs of all students they teach. Native English speakers are highly sought after by international English Language institutions.

Courses in the ESOL Minor Program

ENGL 308 3 hours English Linguistics (Spring, before EDUC 555)

EDUC 551 3 hours Diversity in the Classroom WL* (online, Fall or Spring)

EDUC 552 3 hours Culture and Language acquisition for English Language Learners WL (Fall)

EDUC 553 3 hours Assessment and the English Language Learner WL (Fall)

EDUC 554 3 hours Methods and Instructional Materials for English Language Learners WL (Spring)

EDUC 555 3 hours Practicum with English Language Learners WL (Spring)**

*WL – Writing to Learn Course

**Pre-Requisites: ENGL 308, EDUC 551, 552, 553, and 554 or with permission from ESOL advisor

All students must consult with the ESOL advisor prior to planning or enrolling in any ESOL courses.

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