



Minor in English as a Second Language (ESL) Requirements

The Minor in English as a Second Language (ESL) was developed for students who are interested in teaching English as a Second Language. The Pennsylvania Department of Education lists ESL as the number one teacher shortage area in PA. Candidates who successfully complete this program are also eligible to receive the K-12 ESL Education Endorsement Certification from the Pennsylvania Department of Education, after receiving their Level I Instructional Certificate.

Candidates who successfully complete this minor will be able to:

- apply knowledge of linguistics and the process of language acquisition to the planning, implementation, and management of ESL and content-area instruction.
- understand culture as it affects student learning.
- develop and use classroom-based and language proficiency assessment.
- cultivate professional relationships with colleagues, students, and families.

Note that all students must achieve 18 credit hours of coursework. Further, a grade of "C" or better must be achieved in required core courses.

Required Minor in English as a Second Language (ESL) Core Courses – 15 credits

EDUC/MLST 428 Culture and Diversity of English Learners (3 credits)

EDUC/MLST 434 Instructional Methodology for English Learners (3 credits)

EDUC/MLST 435 Language Acquisition and English Linguistics (3 credits)

EDUC/MLST 436 Assessment of English Learners (3 credits)

EDUC/MLST 437 Protocols and Practices for PA ESL Programs (3 credits)

Elective Courses– 3 credits

Choose 3 credits from the following courses

EDUC 411 Methods for Teaching Foreign Languages to Early Second Language Learners (3 credits)

or SPAN 110 Spanish for Educators (3 credits)

Program Plan Code: ENSL

Effective Semester: Fall 2016



English as a Second Language (ESL) Minor Check Sheet

Student Name:

Student ID Number:

This check sheet provides a mechanism for students and advisors to keep track of a student's progress in the program. Please refer to the program requirements for more details regarding options.

Program requirements: 18 credits. The final GPA requirement for English as a Second Language (ESL) is 3.0.

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EDUC/MLST 434 Instructional Methodology for English Learners	3 credits	Grade:
EDUC/MLST 435 Language Acquisition and English Linguistics	3 credits	Grade:
EDUC/MLST 436 Assessment of English Learners	3 credits	Grade:
EDUC/MLST 437 Protocols and Practices for PA ESL Programs	3 credits	Grade:
Total Credits	15 total credits	

Electives Courses - 3 credits

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EDUC 411 Methods for Teaching Foreign Languages to Early Second Language Learners <i>or</i> SPAN 110 Spanish for Educators	3 credits	Grade:
Total Credits	3 total credits	

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