The English as a Second Language minor is designed for individuals who wish to earn a Wisconsin teaching certification to teach English to non-native speakers. Students wishing to pursue the ESL minor must be in the process of obtaining or already have an initial certification.

Primary certification:
- [ ] Early Childhood
- [ ] Early Childhood through Adolescence
- [ ] Middle Childhood through Early Adolescence
- [ ] Early Adolescence through Adolescence
- [ ] Other: _____________________________

Indicate Language Major: ____________________
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To obtain an English as a Second Language minor certification, students must meet the following requirements.

**PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS**

( ) 3 CURRINS 503  Assessment Issues in Language Education
( ) 3 CURRINS 541  Principles and Methods of Teaching ESL
( ) 3 CURRINS 542  History and Politics of Second Language Education
( ) 3 CURRINS 543  Developing Biliteracy
( ) 3 CURRINS 546  Language, Content, and Comprehensible Input
( ) 3 CURRINS 655  Applied Educational Linguistics

( ) Program Portfolio
Complete a program portfolio based on the 10 Wisconsin Teacher Standards in CURRINS 445 taken during student teaching.

**Student Teaching**

( ) 3 CURRINS 443  Student Teaching in ESL: Minor
( ) 3 CURRINS 445  Seminar in Language Education

Note: Students completing a major in another program concurrently do not register for CURRINS 445. You will be completing a portfolio in your major program.

Students must complete paperwork in order to be assigned a student teaching placement. Student teaching deadlines (February or April) are posted on the Office of Clinical Experiences Web site:

http://www4.uwm.edu/soe/academics/clinical-experiences.cfm

To be approved for placement, you must meet the following criteria:

- [ ] Admitted to the School of Education
- [ ] Completion of all course work. An exception to allow a student to take a course concurrently with student teaching requires approval of the student’s faculty advisor.
- [ ] Cumulative GPA of a minimum 2.5
- [ ] A minimum 2.75 in all your content area and professional education courses
- [ ] Passing scores reflected on your transcript for the PRAXIS II exam: Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages: Content Knowledge #0361
  Score of 143 required ___________________________
- [ ] Removal of all F or I (incompletes) grades.
- [ ] TB test results submitted to the Field Experience Office
- [ ] Criminal Background Check submitted to the Field Experience Office

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATION**

( ) Minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.75 in all content area and professional education courses, including any transfer courses.

Note: Not all courses are offered every semester.