

# ENGLISH AS SECOND LANGUAGE GRADUATE CERTIFICATE

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The ESL Program Specialist Certificate Program is approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Education. The program prepares candidates to develop classroom practices for attending to the academic and language needs of English language learners. The ESL Program Specialist Certificate enables candidates to teach English as a Second Language (ESL)/English Language Development (ELD) in the elementary, middle, and secondary levels in PK12 schools. The program also enables PK4 teachers and content area teachers who teach 4-8 and 7-12 grades to work with ESL students in their classrooms. Candidates must hold or be enrolled in an Instructional I or II teaching certificate to enroll in the program. Candidates must hold Instructional I Teaching Licensure to apply to PDE for the ESL Program Specialist Certificate; however, coursework may be completed at the undergraduate or graduate level.

## Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
EDU 646	Language and Culture w/ Field	3
EDU 710	English Linguistics	3
EDU 712	Topics in Language Acquisition	3
EDU 713	Method Teach English Sec Lang	3
EDU 714	Intnshp ESL/Bilin Prog w/Field	4
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>16</b>

Teachers who hold an Instructional 1 Teaching Licensure are not required to take EDU 646.