

English for Speakers of Other Languages Certificate

Teachers College, Henderson

Required Number of Hours: 12

Description of certificate: Henderson State University offers a twelve-credit-hour program of study for a certificate and endorsement in English for Speakers of Other Languages (K-12). The program of study is offered at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. At the undergraduate level, candidates can complete the program of study concurrently with a program of study leading to teacher licensure. Program completers, including passing the Praxis II English for Speakers of Other Languages, can apply to the Arkansas Department of Education to add the ESoL endorsement once their first teaching license is awarded.

At the graduate level, Arkansas licensed teachers may apply for the English for Speakers of Other Languages Graduate Institute or complete the program of study through traditional coursework. The Academy is held during the summer. Academy participants wishing to add the ESL endorsement complete field experiences throughout the following year and develop a comprehensive portfolio to earn twelve (12) graduate hours. Upon completion of four course projects and passage of the Praxis II English for Speakers of Other Languages exam, completers may apply to the Arkansas Department of Education to add the endorsement to their current Arkansas teaching license.

Student Learning Outcomes:

Students will:

- Broaden their understanding of multiple cultures and viewpoints.
- View themselves as professional resources and advocates for English learners and their families.
- Understand the relationship between language and culture.
- Distinguish between assimilation and acculturation.

• Recognize the importance of continual professional development and research in ESOL.

Required ESL Endorsement Courses:

EDU 4543/5543 Exploring Perspectives of Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Learners EDU 4603/5603 Assessment of the English Language EDU 4533/5533 Methods and Materials of Teaching LEP EDU 4483/5483 Acquisition English Another Language

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