

Boston College - Lynch School of Education
TELL Teaching English Language Learners Certificate
Undergraduate
2008-2009

Boston College LSOE offers a certificate in Teaching English Language Learners. Candidates should be working toward a licensure in an education field (early childhood, elementary, secondary, reading and others). This program is designed *to prepare mainstream teachers to work with bilingual learners/English Language Learners in their mainstream classroom settings*. The certificate requires two courses and a free non-credit workshop taken during one of the field experiences. In addition, candidates need to do a field experience in a classroom that includes bilingual learners.

Candidates interested in also obtaining *an ESL licensure* should take the ESL MTEL test and apply individually to the Mass Department of Education. For further information contact Dr. Mariela Paez, Lynch School of Education (paezma@bc.edu)

❖ Courses

- ED 346 Teaching Bilingual Students (elementary or secondary section) (Fall, Spring, Summer)
- ED 621 Bilingualism, Second Language and Literacy Development (Summer, Fall, Spring) [to be taken during senior year]

❖ Workshops leading to certification as a Certified MELA-O Administrator (offered in fall/spring as free non-credit 10-hour training over two Saturday sessions).

❖ Field Experience

ED 151/152 or 153 Pre-Practicum Experience (or equivalent) in a classroom with bilingual learners. (Preferably taken the same semester as ED 346)

Additional recommended courses

SL 378/RL495 Second Language Acquisition (Fall)

SL 362/EN122/SC 362 Language and Society (Fall, biennially)

SL279/EN123 Language and Ethnicity (Spring, biennially)

SL323/EN121 The Linguistic Structure of English (Fall, biennially)

SL367/EN127 Language and Language Types (Spring, biennially) (prerequisite SL 311 or another Linguistics course)