

**CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION** (WITH  
ESL AND/OR BILINGUAL ENDORSEMENT) MASTER OF ARTS



**IN PERSON, ONLINE OR HYBRID**

This program prepares educators to work with emergent bilingual students from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds in PreK-12 schools. This program has a balanced mix of theory, research, and practice. Candidates are equipped to envision and enact educational change for English learners that is inclusive, linguistically responsive, and multiculturally competent. Graduates become teacher leaders who can implement culturally sustaining pedagogy and effectively advocate for their students from diverse backgrounds.

The program will enable teachers to:

- Understand the principles, practices, and problems in public and private school programs with an emphasis on application of current theory and research, with a special focus on the needs of English language learners.
- Apply educational objectives and learning standards to the selection and organization of learning experiences for English language learners, utilizing contemporary curriculum organization models and pertinent research.
- Analyze contemporary language-learning educational issues in the United States, including the obstacles and challenges faced by educators, and current educational policy making and reform.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**

Licensed Illinois Teachers

**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution.
2. Graduate admission application including an objective statement.
3. Official transcripts from Bachelor's degree (and for any Master's degree earned as well).
4. Copy of Professional Educators License
5. Two letters of recommendation (preferably one from a college or university instructor) addressing academic proficiency, personal character, and competence and effectiveness in professional work.
6. Objective Statement
7. Copy of Professional Educator License

**COST:**

\$505 per credit hour; guaranteed for duration with continuous enrollment

**REGISTRATION PROCEDURE:**

For registration information, contact us at (708) 957-5994.

**ACADEMIC CALENDAR:**

Summer, fall, and spring semesters.

**DELIVERY MODE:**

In-person cohort, Hybrid, or fully online.

**LOCATION(S) OF COURSES:**

University Center of Lake County and online.

**TEXTBOOK PURCHASE:**

Textbooks may be purchased at <https://cuchicago.bnccollege.com>

**TRANSFER HOURS POLICY:**

Up to 50% of a degree may be accepted for transfer credit from an accredited graduate school.

**ACCREDITATION:**

North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (NCACS), National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE), Council for the Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP), National Association of Schools of Music (NASM)

**FINANCIAL AID:**

Office of Student Financial Planning (708) 209-3113

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**REQUIRED COURSES:**

- Seminar in Reflective Practice
- Curriculum Construction
- Foundations of American Education
- Teacher as Researcher
- Languages & Linguistics
- Foundations of Bilingual and Bicultural Education
- Teaching English as a Second Language
- Methods, Materials for Teaching Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Students
- Assessment of Language Minority Students
- Cross Cultural Studies for Teaching Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Students

Total Hours Needed:  
30 credit hours