



**Special - (Grade level is specific to the grade level of the base teaching license)
English Language Acquisition and Development (ELAD)**

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To receive an endorsement in English Language Acquisition and Development (ELAD):

1. Hold a valid early childhood education, elementary, middle school/junior high school, secondary, special education, special teaching license, or a special license in school psychology, counseling, social work, mental health, or nurse; and
2. Complete three (3) semester credits of coursework in each of the following areas of study:
 - A. Language acquisition theory and English language development practices
 - B. Methods and curriculum for teaching English learners
 - C. Assessment and evaluation of English learners; and
3. Complete two (2) semester credits of coursework in one of the following areas of study:
 - A. Policies, critical issues and best practices for English learners in prekindergarten and elementary school, or
 - B. Policies, critical issues and best practices for English learners in secondary school; and
4. Complete one (1) semester credit of practicum, which must include at least twenty-five (25) hours of experience working in the classroom

To receive an endorsement as a Specialist in English Language Acquisition and Development (ELAD):

1. Complete the requirements for an ELAD endorsement as described above; and
2. Complete three (3) semester credits of coursework in each of the following areas of study:
 - A. Foundations in education in cultural and linguistic diversity; and
 - B. Cultural and linguistic diversity program leadership