



Special – Specific to the Grade Level of the Base Teaching License English Language Acquisition and Development (ELAD) Endorsement

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To receive an English Language Acquisition and Development (ELAD) endorsement, a person must:

1. Hold a valid elementary, middle school/junior high school, secondary or special teaching license (excluding Business and Industry); and
2. Have completed at least three (3) semester hours of credit in each of the following areas of study:
 - A. Language acquisition theory and development practices
 - B. Methods and curriculum for teaching English language learners
 - C. Assessment and evaluation of English language learners; and
3. Have completed at least two (2) semester hours of credit in one of the following areas of study:
 - A. Policies, critical issues and best practices for English language learners in prekindergarten and elementary school, or
 - B. Policies, critical issues and best practices for English language learners in secondary school; and
4. Have completed at least one (1) semester hour of credit of practicum, which must include, without limitation, 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), a person must:

1. Have completed the requirements for an ELAD endorsement as described above, and
2. Have completed at least three (3) semester hours of credit 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.

Note that any person who, on June 28, 2016, possessed a valid TESL endorsement issued prior to that date shall be deemed to hold an ELAD endorsement and may continue to renew that endorsement as if it were an ELAD endorsement.