

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

M. Ed. / Initial Licensure in Second Languages Education Prerequisite Course List--ESL

What are prerequisites?

Prerequisites are foundational courses required in specific content areas for licensure. Candidates are required to have an undergraduate degree from an accredited institution with appropriate liberal arts/general education coursework and must meet the prerequisites below depending upon language status. If the applicant has an undergraduate major in German, the courses outlined below (or their equivalents) are required.

When do prerequisites need to be completed?

Any required prerequisites should be completed before starting the program in June. The Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) should be completed and submitted with the program application. Please contact the adviser for any potential time extension requests.

Please check with your program area adviser before registering for any prerequisite coursework.

Content Area	Requirement
Knowledge of Language and Culture	Major in the language, or
	Significant equivalent coursework in the language, or
	Native speaker of language?
	If pursuing ESL license only:
	One year of undergraduate language coursework or two years of high school language coursework
Advanced Language Proficiency	Coursework (two or more advanced language courses in advanced grammar/composition) Oral Proficiency Interview (minimum score of "Advanced Low" or "Superior" for English OPI)
Familiarity with Culture of Language	Study abroad experience, or Evidence of intensive practical use of language (attach
Psychology	appropriate documentation) General or Intro Psychology

Prerequisite courses must have a minimum 'C-' grade